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### NEWTON.

—Miss Hannah P. James is expected in Newton at Christmas time.

—The first lecture of Dr. Mary E. Bates on Health will be given at Armory Hall, next Tuesday evening, in the Read Fund course.

—All should contribute to the Firemen's Relief fund by buying tickets to the entertainment at City Hall next Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Wallace Holbrook, the baggage master at the Newton station, has been granted a month's leave of absence on account of ill health.

—Why was Alderman Harwood left off the ticket? Why was School Committee man Weed put on? These are questions in which Ward 7 voters are interested.

—At the Methodist church next Sunday there will be communion service in the morning. Mr. Nichols will preach in the evening on "A wise man, yet a fool."

—A number of Newton people attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Daniel of Needham, at the home of their son-in-law, Mr. Kneeland of Roxbury.

—Dr. H. M. Field and family are now at Chicago Lawn, two miles from Hotel Raymond, Pasadena, California, in a garden of oranges, figs, roses and callas, according to a recent letter.

—Mr. F. A. Wetherbee, special agent for New England of the Niagara Fire Insurance Co., has resigned his position with that company, having been elected secretary of the Prescott Ins. Co. of Boston.

—The next of the special sermons in Grace church will be delivered on the coming Sunday evening by the Rev. A. F. Washburn, rector of the church of the Redeemer, Boston. All seats free.

—Rev. Wm. H. Cobb, for the past ten years pastor of the Uxbridge Congregational church, is a recent resident of Newton, he having been chosen librarian and assistant treasurer of the Congregational library rooms, Boston.

—The ladies of the Centre street M. E. church held a regular monthly sociable at the residence of Mrs. Hiram Leonard, Newtonville avenue, on Wednesday evening last. There was a large attendance.

—At the Y. M. C. A. meeting last Sunday afternoon, Mr. E. O. Childs had charge. Next Sunday Mr. F. A. Houdlette will conduct a Praise service consisting of music and Bible quotations. A male quartet will sing several pieces.

—The quarterly meeting of the Girls' Friendly society was held in the parish house of Grace church, Dec. 1st. After the admission of a number of persons as associates and members, an address was delivered by Dr. Shinn upon the conduct suggested by a consecrated building.

—In the coming issue of The Churchman, there will be a description of Grace church, with illustrations. This will make that paper especially valuable to Newton church people, and they will be interested in the prospectus, which is given in another column.

—A large congregation listened to the first of the special sermons for the Advent season in Grace church, last Friday night. The preacher was the Rev. Dr. Gray, and the theme was "The Voices in the Wilderness that spoke of Christ." The next sermon will be by the Rev. A. F. Washburn of Boston. All the seats are free.

—Mrs. Hodgdon will cut patterns at her residence, corner of Galen and Jefferson streets, for ladies who desire them, at the same price as at the fair, 25 cents each. Perfect fitting patterns guaranteed. These patterns were conceded to be the best at the Mechanics' fair. Mrs. Hodgdon's friends will be glad to know that she has recovered from her recent illness, and is able to be about again.

—Mr. S. A. D. Sheppard will read a paper on the Bermudas, before the meeting of the Natural History society next Wednesday evening. The paper will be of great interest, and there will also be a fine display of corals, shells, etc., brought by Mr. Sheppard from the Bermudas last year. The meeting will be held in room 4, Elliot block.

—The friends of Alderman Harwood are not especially pleased at the way he was crowded off from the ticket, because of his having accepted the citizen's nomination last year. There is a good deal of feeling over the matter, as it is thought that in this general re-nomination of old members he should have been given the usual compliment of a second term.

—Armory Hall was comfortably filled on Tuesday evening, the occasion being a lecture in the Read Fund course. Geo. Makepeace Tawle, the lecturer, spoke of the great inventors of modern times. The great good which has accrued to mankind from the heroic efforts of the inventors of modern machinery was pointed out, and a brief and interesting account given of the history and development of the steam engine, the steam boat, the telegraph and telephone, and other inventions which make the world what it is to-day. An account of Prof. Bailey's lecture on the CosmoSphere will be found on page 7.

—At the convention, Rev. Mr. Hornbroke received the solid vote of Wards 1 and 7 with one exception, and five votes from delegates from other wards, who could not be persuaded into voting for Mr. Weed, contrary to the wish of the caucus. There was some lively wrangling, and the delegates from Wards 5 and 6, which contained three of the school committee, were solid, of course, for Mr. Weed. The program in favor of Mr. Weed was dictated by a secret caucus of the Ward 6 delegates. The next time that Ward 6 has a delegate to present at a City convention, delegates from this side of the city should give them a dose of their own medicine.

**No-License for Newton.**

At the last municipal election, the vote was as follows:

Wards	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Totals
Mayor	305	434	345	303	235	281	322	2225
License	35	58	48	46	14	28	10	239
No.	162	189	146	162	143	207	191	1181
Total vote on license								1420

From which it appears that 805 voters who voted for Mayor did not vote at all on the license question. We are justly proud of the record of our fair city on this important subject, and to the end that we maintain our standard as the banner city. Let every citizen see to it that he votes upon this question as well as for city officials. No-License ballots will be found at all the voting places.

### THE REFORM CONVENTION.

**John S. Farlow Nominated for Mayor.**

**WARD SEVEN CAUCUS INSULTED.**

**All the Old Members of the School Board Renominated.**

The municipal reform convention met in the City Hall Tuesday night, the hall being crowded with spectators. Mr. E. O. Childs called the convention to order and said we have come together not as Democrats or as Republicans, but as citizens who desire economy in the city government. We come here to bring about reform and to place in nomination men pledged to an honest effort to carry out principles of economy. Mr. Childs then called for nominations for a permanent chairman and Mr. E. L. Pickard nominated Hon. J. F. C. Hyde, who was elected with applause.

Mr. Hyde thanked the convention for the compliment paid him, and said that the large attendance reminded him of town meeting days. It was a new departure in municipal politics, as they did not meet as members of a party but as citizens. Every caucus had been largely attended and there had been but one purpose to choose delegates who would put men in office who would represent the whole city, in whom the people had confidence, men of backbone, who would stand up for the right and go for the wrong wherever they found it. No better convention had met in the city for a long time, it represented the big tax-payers, and all desire the best interests of the city. No man present had any special candidate to favor, but all wanted the best men.

A nomination for permanent secretary was then called for and A. L. Rand nominated Bernard Early.

Messrs. E. L. Pickard, Thomas Weston, and A. L. Rand were appointed a committee on credentials and reported that all the delegations were full.

A WELL ARRANGED PROGRAM.  
Mr. J. W. Stover moved that the convention proceed to ballot for an alderman from each ward, and Mr. Henry E. Cobb presented the name of Edwin O. Childs, as a man well known, a former city official, of an ability and knowledge of city affairs that would make him a useful member. Mr. Childs was nominated by a hand vote.

Mr. J. W. Stover nominated Councilman N. H. Chadwick for alderman from Ward 2 and he was unanimously chosen. Hon. Chas. Robinson, Jr., nominated Councilman Geo. E. Dix for alderman from Ward 3, stating that he had served four years in the council, and was an old resident of the ward, in whom they had confidence. He was chosen unanimously.

Mr. E. L. Pickard nominated Mr. Frederic Johnson, the present alderman from Ward 4, who had served six years in his ward and had shown himself well fitted for his duties; chosen unanimously. Hon. William Marcy renominated Alderman Pettie of Ward 5, who needed no endorsement; chosen unanimously.

Chairman Hyde nominated Alderman Weston of Ward 6, who had served six years in the council and was the most valuable men in the board; unanimously. Mr. I. T. Burr of Ward 7, said that unfortunately his delegation could not agree on a candidate, the minority had selected Councilman Tyler, and the majority could not agree. He favored Mr. Tyler, who was an old resident of the ward, and had filled the position of councilman acceptably.

Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr., said that he represented the majority of the delegation and nominated Mr. Kennedy, who had served faithfully and acceptably in the Council and was well qualified.

Mr. J. W. Stover said that as the convention could not agree he would present still another name, that of Mr. Jesse C. Ivy; he was a Democrat and would be the only representative of the Democratic party on the board [shouts of laughter and applause]. Mr. Kennedy, the nominee from Ward 1, Mr. Stover apologized to Mr. Childs and said that even two Democrats on the board would hardly be a fair proportion. The only way to ignore party lines was to divide the offices between the parties. Mr. Ivy was a lawyer of ability, had always taken a deep interest in municipal affairs, and would make an excellent official. He moved that the vote be taken by ballot. Mr. Weston said it was proposed to nominate Mr. Ivy to fill the vacancy in the council.

Mr. ballot was taken and Mr. Tyler received 13 votes, Mr. Kennedy 13, and Mr. Ivy 6. Mr. Tyler was declared the nominee.

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE.**

Mr. Stover moved that the vote be taken by show of hands for members of the school committee.

**THE SACRED SCHOOL BOARD.**

Hon. Chas. Robinson, Jr., said he would present the names of George A. Walton and Fisher Ames, as members of the school committee from Ward 3. A good deal had been said pro and con in regard to the school board, but it was time that offensive discussion should cease, and the matter should be carried into politics. All discussion was prejudicial to the schools and the action of the board should be acquiesced in and the school committee should feel that they were supported in whatever they did. The two members from Ward 3 had taken opposite sides, but both men were equally honored and had acted from the highest motives. He did not wish to take any sides in the matter, the school committee had seen fit to make a change, and they ought to know more about it than any citizen. The quarrel should be entirely healed up and the best way to do it was to re-elect all the members of the board and let it be understood that the authority of the school board must be respected.

Mr. Robinson's curious speech was enthusiastically applauded, especially by Messrs. Barton, Frost and Putney, members of the school board who were also delegates, and who all voted for Mr. Walton. Mr. Ames was next nominated.

**HAS TIME TO GIVE.**

Mr. E. L. Pickard then renominated Rev. W. S. Smith, from his portion of Ward 4, because he had time to give to the duties of the position and ought to be renominated.

Mr. W. B. Atherton of Lower Falls, said that for years beyond his recollection

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### GRACE CHURCH CONSECRATION

BISHOP PADDOCK AND A LARGE NUMBER OF CLERGYMEN PRESENT.

On Wednesday morning the service of Consecration, so long looked forward to, was held in Grace church. A very large audience was present, including many of the ministers of the other churches in Newton. The service began at 11.45, the visiting clergy marching in from the Parish House, followed by Bishop Paddock, the latter reading the processional psalm. After the bishop had taken his seat within the chancel rail, the senior Warden, Mr. George S. Bultins, read the request to consecrate the church, which was followed by the bishop's exhortation and prayers.

Rev. Dr. Shinn then read the sentence of consecration, which was followed by the Thanksgiving, and the anthem. The opening portion of morning prayer was read by Rev. J. L. Ayer, grandson of the late Mr. J. L. Roberts of Newtonville, one of the founders of the parish. Rev. H. A. Metcalf of Auburndale, read the first lesson, Rev. W. G. Wells of Lower Mills, the second lesson, and Rev. C. F. Mills of Newton Highlands, the Nicene creed and prayers. The visiting clergy included, besides those mentioned above, Rev. Phillips Brooks, Prof. Lawrence of Cambridge, Rev. F. F. Fales of Waltham, Rev. N. G. Allen of Auburndale, Rev. E. A. Rand of Watertown, Rev. J. F. Nichols of Boston, Rev. Horatio Gray, Rev. Dr. W. C. Winslow, Rev. Dr. Goodidge, Rev. Dr. G. W. Porter, Rev. R. Kidner, Rev. L. R. Storrs, Rev. R. H. Howe, Rev. A. H. Wright, Rev. G. L. Prescott, Rev. Andrew Gray, Rev. C. J. Ketchum, and others. After the conclusion of morning prayer, the sermon was delivered by Rev. Phillips Brooks.

**THE WORK OF THE CHURCH.**

His text was the words "The Spirit and the Bride say Come," and he began by calling attention to the picture presented by describing the church as the bride of Christ, and the work that the church should do for mankind. The Bible in its accounts of creation, presents a picture of man holding communion with God, and in Revelations the same picture is presented again. During the intervening portions there is more or less interruption between man and his Creator. He hears the voice of God, but he does not pay attention to it. When Jesus was here upon earth, the people in Jerusalem heard his voice, wherever he went, and were affected directly by its influence. But the voice of Jesus is still saying "Come," and its echo is heard in every heart. The meaning of the word is, that man belongs to God, who is calling him to his true home. When the shepherd calls his sheep, they first obey the voice of authority, but afterwards they recognize the delights of their own fold and follow more gladly. So it is with man, he first responds to the call from compulsion, but after, he realizes that it is a voice from his true home. God wants the soul because it belongs to him, and he voices his desire for the other side of our calling us, but the voice is rendered fainter by the sins, and the attractions of the world. The Bible figures the future as a perfect union of man with God; man now struggles to answer the voice, he seeks forgiveness of his sins, and with growing joy recognizes the pleasure and homelike feeling. Sorrows may come upon him, but he either finds consolation in God, or the feeling that He is on the other side of everything lightens his sorrow, and this call of God keeps the soul from settling down in its sins, makes it dissatisfied with its condition, and the greatest tragedy in life is to see this call dying out in men who for years have refused to listen to it, and growing old with no stirring of heart towards anything better or holier.

The church is Christ's echo in the world. Its duty is to simply utter the word of God, and to keep ever truth present that all men are God's men, not church members only, but all; to furnish a help to lead them back to the home from which they have strayed. Our churches should feel more deeply the duty of hospitality to seek out the strangers, the poor and the struggling, and to give them a hearty welcome. The Christian should not turn to God simply to escape punishment for sin, but to obtain forgiveness, to put himself in harmony with the divine life. In the world, the most expected tribulation and sorrow, but victory comes at last, the church should try to keep a broad and spiritual sympathy for all men, and then its own dogmas will be illuminated with divine truth.

This church of yours is rich and beautiful, but you should not be satisfied with the merely sensuous pleasure from the world. Its beauty should awaken your mind to a desire for better living, and a higher worship, and you to a livelier sympathy with the sacred truths taught in it. It should be made to convey message of God, that is the true function of church architecture. A church should not need to have a label put on it to appeal to the voice of God in every heart, so that He may find His children. The church needs to be simple and beautiful, there is nothing gained by ugliness, but it should teach one simple lesson, for inspiring souls to worship. Let this church as in the past, echo the voice of God, and now that it has been consecrated, let there be a greater effort to have all things done here, so that souls may come to God.

The audience listened to the words as audiences always do listen to Rev. Phillips Brooks, and could not help feeling that they had heard an important message.

The offerings of the day were for the mission of the church in this diocese.

Rev. Dr. Shinn conducted the communion service, to which a large part of the congregation remained.

The service was rendered especially attractive by the fine manner in which the musical part of the exercises were rendered by the double quartet, some of which was composed especially for the occasion.

**AFTER THE SERVICE,**

the visiting clergy, the vestry and the building committee, had luncheon in the parish house, at which addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Shinn, Rev. Messrs. Fales and Ayer, Mr. George S. Bultins and Mr. E. S. Hamblin.

**IN THE EVENING**

the members of the congregation held a reception in the parish house from 8 to 10 o'clock. There was a very large and brilliant attendance, and those who had contributed so generously to the payment of the church debt, enjoyed the satisfaction of their success. It was a very happy day for Rev. Dr. Shinn, who came to the parish thirteen years ago.

and found it struggling under a heavy debt. Under his efforts, and by his encouragement, the debt has now been lifted, and the result is one in which he can well feel a personal satisfaction. The church has grown wonderfully under his charge. As will be seen by a brief history elsewhere, the parish house has been added, a large number of charitable societies have been formed for parish and mission work, and in addition to his arduous labors in the church and parish. Dr. Shinn is one of the busiest men in the city, and in the midst of his parish and other duties, he has found time to write some valuable books, is a frequent contributor to the church papers, and does an amount of work that would be impossible to any but a very industrious man. Grace church is very fortunate in its rector, and it is gratifying to know that his people appreciate him.

At the reception, there were some brief exercises, Mr. Gardner P. Gates reading an original poem, written in his usual happy vein, and full of bright bits and witty sayings in regard to the church debt. As it was written solely for the occasion, Mr. Gates could not be prevailed upon to give it for publication. Another original poem on the subject of St. Andrew's Day, the day of the consecration of the church, was read by Miss S. Louise Shelton, which she was prevailed upon to publish, and it is given below.

**St. Andrew's Day.**  
A. D. 1887.

St. Andrew's Day, our consecration day,  
Henceforth shall be  
Unto this Parish, a most holy day;  
O, Lord, one set apart for Thee!

Fitting, indeed, it is upon the Feast  
Of this so gentle saint,  
To consecrate to God's most holy praise  
This Temple, rich and quaint.

The precious lesson of St. Andrew's life,  
Who, to our Lord most dear,  
Brought Peter, Prince of Apostles,  
Should be remembered here—

For we, to the Church, have given one\*  
Of saintly life, and learning rare,  
Who guards and guides the flock of Christ,  
With all a Bishop's jealous care.

The lovely church, this Parish House,  
With all their memories bright,  
Still speak of him, who, on this hearth,  
Our first fire here did light.

Others there were whose prayerful zeal  
Shall be embalmed here,  
So long as Grace Church shall endure,  
A legacy most dear!

God's children, generous and devout,  
Whose faith we venerate,  
By altar, windows, font, and bells,  
We'll ever commemorate.

Precious the memory of holy hours  
They spent within these walls,  
Like strains of some seraphic harmony  
Which every soul entrails.

The Church is consecrated,—and to-night,  
With glad hearts flowing o'er  
With happiness, and love to God and man,  
We Deumus we outpour!

The Temple is the Lord's—Within its walls  
A home the people find;  
The rich and poor meet here as one,—  
"Blest be the ties that bind!"

The Temple is the Lord's—and so are we,  
Our lives, our all, to Him belong;  
Our treasure for His work we should outpour  
And raise a triumph song!

For all that has been done, is but a drop,  
That which shall be,  
If, Lord, inspired by those who've gone before,  
We consecrate to Thee.

All that we have—Thou gav'st Thyself for us,  
To Thee what can we give,  
O, perfect Love, Almighty King,  
Whom whom we move and live?

Only the homage of our cold, weak hearts,  
A service poor at best;  
But 'tis to encourage, help, sustain,  
And bring us to Thy rest.

And when our course on earth is o'er,  
That which we've here begun,  
Shall never cease—God will inspire new labors  
And His work shall be done.

And now may blessing, comfort, peace,  
From God, the Father, Son,  
And Holy Ghost the Comforter,  
Be with us every one.

\*Bishop Perry.

The other exercises consisted of a song by Miss Parker of the choir, and other music.

Letters of congratulation were read by Mr. W. P. Westworth from the Rev. Mr. Mayer, Rev. Mr. Steenstra, and Rev. Mr. Jenckes, former rectors of the church; from Ex-Governor Alexander H. Rice, and a telegram was read from Rev. Dr. Huntington of Grace church, New York, who preached the sermon at the institution of Rev. Dr. Shinn, as rector of the parish, 13 years ago. It expressed the greeting of Grace church, New York, to Grace church, Newton, and congratulations at its consecration.

Rev. Dr. Shinn said that Bishop Paddock was compelled by his feeble health to leave during the service in the morning, but he left his blessing for the people of the parish, and asked that they be given his congratulations at the success of their work, and told of his great regret that he could not be with them during all of the services and at the reception in the evening.

A supper was served later in the evening, provided by the vestry of the parish, and the day will be specially remembered by the parish, as a special one in its history.

### Newton Cottage Hospital.

The following amounts have been received from the different churches in Newton, on account of Hospital Sunday, for current expenses:

Church of Our Lady, Newton.....	\$ 50 00
1st Congregational Church, Newton Centre.....	84 67
1st Baptist Church, Newton Centre.....	30 54
Unitarian Church, Newton Centre.....	25 00
St. Andrew's Church, Chestnut Hill.....	15 00
Congregational Church, Highlands.....	27 63
Universalist Church, Newtonville.....	60 00
Congregational Society, Auburndale.....	100 00
Channing Church, Newton.....	241 45
Sunday School, Newton.....	18 50
Grace Church, Newton.....	163 03
St. Mary's Church, Newton Falls.....	101 00
Baptist Church, West Newton.....	19 19
Unitarian Church, West Newton.....	162 18
Elliot Church, Newton.....	50 35
Total.....	\$1614 91

It is hoped that the remaining churches will be prompt in sending in their contributions. GEORGE S. BULLENS, Treas.  
Newton, Nov. 30, 1887.

The Misses Parker are ready to show all the new Christmas Cards, Booklets and Novelties, also Paris and German Dolls, new toys and games, at the Newton Bazaar. See their bargains before purchasing elsewhere.

When you visit Boston, take your laundry to Ingalls' Hat and Gents' Furnishing Store. Their prices are reasonable and satisfaction is guaranteed. See adv. elsewhere.

The worst feature about catarrh is its dangerous tendency to consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures catarrh by purifying the blood.



## THE CAUCUSES.

A LARGE NUMBER IN ALL THE WARDS.

Such a large attendance at caucuses was never known in Newton, the citizens turning out generally in all the wards, and considerable interest being manifested.

## IN WARD ONE

The citizens met in Armory Hall. Mr. Henry E. Cobb was chosen chairman and Mr. John Hahn secretary. It was voted to adopt the recommendation of the committees, and have the delegation to the city convention divided between the two parties. Messrs. H. H. Powell and A. W. Rice were nominated for councilmen. Mr. Bruce R. Ware made a brief speech, in which he alluded to the necessity of calling a halt in city expenditures, and having a government that would be more economical. The following list of delegates was elected: Henry E. Cobb, E. W. Converse, C. B. Coffin, John C. Potter, E. O. Childs, Chester H. Graves and E. J. Burke.

## WARD TWO.

In Ward Two the attendance was large, some 200 hundred gentlemen taking part in the proceedings. The caucus chose as its chairman and secretary, Mr. J. W. Stover and Mr. John A. Fenn. The interest centered in the recommendation of a candidate for alderman from this ward. Mr. Henry F. Ross's friends had been active in his behalf, while opposed to him as candidates were Messrs. E. W. Redpath and N. H. Chadwick, at present representatives of the ward in the common council.

Mr. Pierce suggested that the voting be by means of a marking list, and that a check list be used, the gentlemen receiving a majority of the votes to be considered the preference of the caucus for alderman. This suggestion was followed. Mr. Redpath received the largest number of votes, Mr. Chadwick the second and Mr. Ross the smallest number. None of the candidates, however, received a majority and a second vote was necessary. Before it was taken Mr. D. C. Heath said that he had been requested by Mr. Redpath to withdraw his name in case Mr. Chadwick was elected. Mr. Redpath's withdrawal narrowed the contest to Messrs. Chadwick and Ross, the result of the second ballot being a victory for the friends of Mr. Chadwick, who thus became the nominee of the caucus.

Messrs. Redpath, T. C. Nickerson, J. A. Fenn, C. P. Harkins, C. D. Cabot, H. E. Thompson and E. W. Bailey were put in nomination for councilmen. The decision reached by a show of hands was in favor of Messrs. Redpath and Fenn. It was voted that, in case of either of the nominees declining to run, the gentlemen having the next largest number of votes, T. C. Nickerson, should become the nominee.

On motion of Mr. Austin R. Mitchell a committee of seven was appointed to nominate delegates to the convention. The committee, consisting of Messrs. Mitchell, Pierce, Parker, Hollins, Anderson, Dunn and H. F. Ross, nominated the following delegation, which was elected by the caucus: J. W. Stover, P. C. Bridgman, James Dunn, B. S. Grant, D. C. Heath, Charles E. Adams, Otis E. Hunt.

## WARD THREE.

The meeting in this ward called together about 225 citizens, who organized with Mr. W. E. Sheldon as chairman, and Mr. C. W. Shepard as secretary.

Mr. James T. Allen moved that A. J. Fiske be elected by acclamation one of the candidates for the council. To this Mr. Thomas Drew objected and Mr. Allen withdrew his motion on request of Mr. E. A. Paddock who proposed that the old method of nominations from the floor be followed. Mr. Paddock's motion prevailed. A large number of names were mentioned, but many declined to have their names used; among them being Councilman Dix, who said that he had served four years which was long enough. H. H. Hunt received 183 votes, A. J. Fiske 108, Lawrence Bond 44, S. E. Howard 39, C. P. Pike 4 and G. G. Elder 38. Messrs. Hunt and Fiske were declared the nominees, but Mr. Hunt positively declined, and Mr. Bond, who stood next on the list, was substituted.

Seven delegates to the convention were next chosen in the same way as the nominees for the council, that is, by a show of hands. As the name of each candidate was proposed he was subjected to a catechism as to his preference for mayor and school committee. Mr. L. G. Pratt was the first gentleman named, but so unanimous was the trust reposed in him that no one asked him any questions whatever. The questions put to the candidates were whether or not they favored the re-election of Mayor Kimball. Of the seven elected, two, Messrs. Humphrey and Lawrence, are in favor of Mr. Kimball's re-nomination. Three of the delegates are Republicans, two are Democrats and two are Independents. The question of the alderman from this ward was not touched upon and the delegates were not instructed in any way. The list of delegates is as follows:

Lucius G. Pratt, T. B. Fitz, F. E. Crockett, Wm. F. Lawrence, F. H. Humphrey, Lawrence Bond, Chas. Robinson.

## WARD FOUR.

The largest and most representative caucus ever held in this ward assembled in Auburn Hall. Mr. E. B. Haskell was chosen chairman, and Messrs. Bernard Early and R. L. Bridgman secretaries. Mr. E. L. Pickard read a note from Councilman T. W. Gore, declining a re-election, but Mr. Pickard said that possibly Mr. Gore would feel compelled to accept a unanimous nomination and accordingly it was given to him. As it was understood that Councilman Moody did not wish to be returned, Mr. Bernard Early was nominated as the other member of the Council but he declined positively, saying that the position would be such an important one in the next Council that it ought to be filled by an able man. Councilman E. E. Moody was then re-nominated.

Mr. Pickard said that he hoped the arrangement made by the committees would be carried out in electing delegates to the convention. Fifteen names were proposed, the seven receiving the highest number of votes to be the delegates. These were: W. B. Atherton, E. L. Pickard, E. B. Haskell, B. Early, C. W. Robinson, C. G. Burr, and C. H. Johnson. Mr. McVicar raised the point that this was not carrying out the recommendation of the committees. Ex-Mayor Fowle replied that he had voted for the best men without regard to their politics. After further remarks by Messrs. McVicar, Fowle, Fiske, Pickard, Early, and Dolan, it was voted to let the list stand just as it was, and the caucus adjourned.

## WARD FIVE.

There was a large attendance at the caucuses, principally from the Highlands,

as the Upper Falls voters did not like the idea of municipal reform caucuses. E. J. Williams was chosen chairman and W. T. Logan, secretary. Frank J. Hale and Elliott J. Hyde were nominated for common councilmen, and the delegates were instructed to vote for Alderman Petree for Alderman. The delegates to the convention are: Willard May, Amos Hale, Levi C. Wade, A. B. Putney, W. C. Frost, E. G. Pond and David Bates.

## WARD SIX.

A. L. Rand was chosen chairman of the largely attended caucus and Mr. Porin secretary. The present representatives in the common council, Heman M. Burr and H. H. Read, received a unanimous renomination. These were chosen as delegates to the convention: J. F. C. Hyde, G. F. Richardson, Samuel Jackson, A. L. Rand, C. C. Barton, E. H. Mason, Alden Spear. No instructions were given.

## WARD SEVEN.

Nonantum Hall was filled with citizens when the caucus was called to order, some 200 being present. Hon. Thomas Weston, Jr. was chosen chairman and Mr. G. T. Coppins secretary. On motion of Ex-Mayor Ellison Councilmen Tyler and Kennedy were nominated by acclamation.

Ex-Alderman Powers said that the large attendance showed that there was an important issue before the caucus. Two ballots had been prepared containing lists of delegates; he held one ballot, which contained the names of Geo. B. Jones, S. A. D. Sheppard, James W. French, James Macomber, Wm. J. Follett, Arthur C. Mudge, and Henry Brooks. They were all good men and personally known to the members of the caucus. These gentlemen would vote for the best man for mayor, including Mr. Farquhar, and the other ballot contained the names of men pledged to vote against him. Such an issue was unprecedented and ought not to be raised against one of the citizens of this ward. No man was less under obligations to Mr. Farquhar than himself, but he did not believe in carrying over the animosities of one campaign into the next. Mr. John S. Farlow's name had been mentioned for Mayor, but if he will not take the office the delegates were at liberty to vote for the next best man including Mr. Mr. Farquhar. There was no man on the list who could be called a politician and he hoped that the caucus would not vote for delegates who would shut out from a chance of nomination a citizen of their own ward.

Mr. J. A. Goodrich said that he was sorry Mr. Powers did not report the case fairly. The opposition ticket, as he called it, was pledged to no one, either for or against. It would not do to impute any unfairness to such men. They were not selected to oppose Mr. Farquhar, or any one else; they were men whom such confidence was felt, that it was considered safe to send them absolutely unpledged. The ticket that contained the names of Isaac T. Burr, Geo. S. Bullens, Thomas Weston, Jr., Geo. T. Coppins, John C. Chaffin, Wm. H. Emery, and M. V. B. Paine, spoke for itself.

Mr. Burr said that he was surprised at the remarks that had been made. He certainly was not pledged to exclude any one and he did not think his associates were.

The vote was then taken, the check list being used, and the ticket headed by Mr. Burr received 120 votes, to 60 for that headed by Mr. Jones.

Mr. Wm. C. Bates then presented a petition signed by a large number of ladies, and recommending that Rev. F. B. Hornbrooke be nominated as member of the school board, in place of Mr. Weed, whose term expires this year.

Mr. E. V. Gay said that it was not right to overlook the services of Mr. Weed, who had served the city faithfully and he moved that Mr. Weed's name be substituted.

Mr. Bates said that he was willing to discuss the question on its merits, if Mr. Gay desired, but Mr. Weed had served several years, his time was out and there was no discount in not re-electing him. The school board needed new blood.

Mr. Gay said that an attempt was being made to punish the members who had voted against the retention of Mr. Cutler, and he hoped it would not succeed. It was said that we wanted men of independent character in the city government, and Mr. Weed had shown his independence in voting as he did.

Mr. C. E. Whitmore said that some attention ought to be paid to the wishes of the mothers of the city; they know more about the schools than the fathers, and the school board had shown that it had no regard for the wishes of the citizens. He was in favor of Mr. Hornbrooke.

A vote was then taken and Mr. Weed received four votes, to some 180 for Rev. Mr. Hornbrooke. Evidently public sentiment in ward seven is not with the majority of the school board.

## Miscellaneous.

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## THE APPROPRIATIONS PASSED.

BOTH BRANCHES OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT IN SESSION.

Both branches of the city government met on Monday evening to discuss the appropriations for the coming year. All of the aldermen were present and all of the common council except Councilman Kennedy.

In the board of Aldermen, Mayor Kimball submitted a message, stating that by the public statutes the amount to be appropriated for the water sinking fund was limited in any one year to \$20,000, and therefore the appropriation of \$22,000 for that purpose was illegal. On motion of Alderman Grant the extra \$2,000 was stricken out.

The board then took up the list of appropriations in detail. The first item to cause any discussion was the salary of the chief engineer of the fire department, which the common council had increased from \$1,500 to \$1,600.

Alderman Petree said that a petition had been received from the firemen that their pay which had been cut down in 1876, should be restored to its original figure, and he called upon Chief Bixby for particulars.

Chief Bixby said that he was willing to forego any increase to his salary if that of the engineers and drivers was increased. The council had passed an order that they be uniformed, and this cost them from \$50 to \$60 a year extra. The precedent had been established in the police department of allowing an extra \$100 for new uniform, and if it was fair in one department it was in another. The men had been cut down \$100 in 1870, and four years ago half of this decrease had been restored. Their salary now was below that of firemen in other cities of the size of Newton. In reply to Alderman Ward, he stated that in Brookline and some small towns, the firemen did other work, but there the fire only averaged five or six a year, while in Newton they averaged two or three a week, and such a plan had been tried here and found impracticable. The men could not work in two positions successfully.

The board then concurred with the other branch in raising the salary of the chief \$100 and the salary of the assistant a like sum. The board also concurred in adding \$50 to the salaries of three engineers of steamers and seven drivers.

## THE BRIDGES.

In regard to the appropriation of \$25,000 for new bridges at Lower Falls and Etta Mills, Mayor Kimball stated that he had had the city engineer look over the two bridges, as to the possibility of putting them in thorough repair, and the probable cost, and in accordance with his report, he submitted the following message:

To the City Council.—I respectfully submit the estimates of the City Engineer, prepared at my request, of the cost of repairing the two bridges for the sum of six thousand dollars, instead of building two new bridges, as contemplated in the appropriation bill at an expense of \$25,000. Considering the necessity for economy, I recommend that the bridges be thoroughly repaired instead of building new bridges.

Alderman Nickerson said that he was in favor of leaving the matter to another highway committee. It was a question with him whether they could be repaired economically.

Alderman Petree said he was in favor of the Mayor's recommendation. If the bridges could be repaired for a small sum it was much better to do so than to build expensive new bridges, especially now that economy had become the fashionable cry.

Mayor Kimball said that the bridges had been reported unsafe by one of the Highway surveyors in the other branch, and he did not think the city could afford to take the risk of leaving them in that condition.

Alderman Nickerson moved to non-concur and strike out the \$25,000 for new bridges, which was done. After similar action by the common council the board voted \$6,000 for the thorough repair of the two bridges, it being stated by the city engineer that the expenditure of that sum would put them in good condition for the next five years or more.

## THE FREE LIBRARY.

Alderman Petree said that he supposed that there was no way but to grant the increase asked for by the trustees of the library, as they stated that it was made necessary by the increased demand for books, and it was passed.

Alderman Grant said that the finance committee had considered the salary of the city almoner, and decided that \$1,000 was as low as they ought to ask any man to work; \$700 was altogether too small, and he moved to non-concur with the council and make the salary \$1,000; the motion passed.

## OUR COSTLY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

Alderman Johnson asked if there was no way to cut down the extravagant appropriation for schools. The school board asked for a large increase every year, and there was no limit apparently.

Alderman Grant said that the finance committee had had to accept the estimates of the school board, and the only reduction they could make was to take out the amount of the dog tax, which they did. Alderman Petree said that the school committee now ask for \$120,000, and they evidently had no intention of reducing their demands. They now want over one-fifth of the total tax levy, and it amounts to a tax of something over \$3.50 on a thousand. The matter of education is becoming a great burden to our people, and will become more so unless a different system is introduced. If the amount keeps on increasing as it has done the past four years, either the taxes or the valuation will have to be largely increased. The general appropriation of \$105,000, the school committee asked for \$107,500, was then voted.

In regard to the appropriation of \$11,750 for school incidentals, Alderman Petree said that some portion of it should be set aside for the conveyance of pupils from Wards 4 and 6, as had been done for the past 20 years. When the proposition to have two high schools in the city was given up, there was a tacit agreement that an appropriation should be made for the conveyance of the pupils on this side of the city, so as to place them on an equality with the pupils on the other side. The parents in Upper Falls had to pay as much, or more, than those in Newton Corner or Auburndale,

and the city appropriation was given to equalize matters. In \$120,000 of expenditures, the school board would hardly miss the \$500, which he moved should be set aside for the conveyance of pupils.

Alderman Grant said that the school board had no right to set apart any sum for conveyance of pupils, unless it was so stated in the appropriation.

Alderman Ward asked how the school board could then appropriate money to convey pupils from Oak Hill to the Mason school at Newton Centre.

Alderman Grant moved to make the sum \$250, which he said would last until the Eliot station was finished, and his motion prevailed.

## THE SEWERAGE QUESTION.

Alderman Ward asked that \$3,000 be appropriated for the sewerage committee, so that they could make surveys and determine where it was best to locate sewers and provide plans. If anything was to be done the coming year, it was very important that careful surveys should be made, and estimates obtained. The people in many parts of the city were in urgent need of relief.

Alderman Harwood said that the sewerage question was one of the most important ones before the city, and in many places in Ward Seven, the people were suffering from the lack of some method of disposing of this sewage. The money was needed there as much as in any other department of the city.

Alderman Grant said that it was a very large question, and could not be decided in any fifteen minute discussion. It would be better to postpone it to some evening when the board would have more time for discussion. He therefore moved to lay it on the table for the present.

## MORSE FIELD DRAINAGE.

Mayor Kimball read a message, recommending that \$150 be expended in building a drain from the corner of Boy and Jervett streets to take off the surface water. The work could be done at once and would give the people of that section some relief where it was most urgently needed. An order was passed appropriating the money, and charging it to the appropriation for drains and culverts.

The board then concurred in the other changes made by the lower branch in the appropriation bill and it was sent down.

## OTHER MATTERS.

The appropriation for the payment of \$245 to Amasa Crafts, increased by the lower branch to \$279.99, came up, and the aldermen voted to adhere, and it was sent down. The common council also voted to adhere, and Alderman Ward stated that he had seen Mr. Crafts, and that the latter had said that if the city would give him a quitclaim deed of the land, he would not ask for any payment. Mr. J. P. C. Hyde had looked into the matter and had said that the city had no title to the land. It might be a good plan to settle in this way with Mr. Crafts. The Boston & Albany was reported to be willing to pay \$500 for a part of the land, but they supposed that it included a lot belonging to another party.

Alderman Johnson said that if the board was right at first it was right now; he did not believe in 10 per cent interest. If Mr. Crafts could sell the whole of his land for \$500 he would not be willing to let the city have it for \$279.99.

The board adhered to its former action, a committee of conference was appointed by both branches, but after a prolonged session they were unable to agree, and the matter was postponed.

A petition was received for a fire alarm signal of the Rogers system, at the corner of Kenilworth and Ivanhoe streets; referred.

Alderman Grant gave notice that the public property committee would ask before the end of the year for \$8,000 for the new school house at Thompsonville, for which the school board had been so clamorous. They had received proposals for the building, and it would cost about \$8,000.

Alderman Nickerson read a petition for the laying out of a new street from Chestnut street, to be known as Putnam street, stating that the street has been properly laid out and constructed.

An order was passed for the laying out of Putnam street from Temple street, and Dec. 6th appointed for a hearing before the board of aldermen and Dec. 12th for a hearing before the common council, in both cases at 8 p. m.

Two hundred dollars was appropriated for the construction of a catch basin on Park Place, Ward Two, and \$800 for a drain on Centre street, from the residence of E. W. Converse to Fairmount avenue, both to be charged to the appropriation for drains and culverts.

Alderman Grant reported in regard to the gift of Hon. John C. Park of reference books and engravings for the judge's room, accepting the gifts and conveying the thanks of the city government therefor. The city clerk was directed to convey to Judge Park a copy of the resolution.

James Clancy was granted a license to move a building from Washington street, Ward Three, to River street.

Alderman Grant reported in regard to the public bath house, that the cost of constructing the building would be \$1200, and that it would be cared for at an annual expense of \$450. The most suitable location was on Bulloagh's Pond, and one of the owners of land there would give permission for the use of his land.

Alderman Grant reported that an agreement had been reached by the Newton Electric Light and Power Company and Matthew Burns, whereby the latter was relieved of cause of complaint, and accordingly the petition of the company for an increase of power was granted.

The common council having concurred in all the items of the appropriation bill, it was adopted by a yeas and nays vote. The total is \$563,739, a reduction of some \$23,000 from the recommendation of the finance committee. The board at 11.45 adjourned.

## The Common Council.

In the common council after business from the other branch had been adopted in concurrence, a conference committee consisting of Messrs. Redpath, Tyler and Burr was appointed to meet Alderman Ward and Petree in regard to the Crafts matter and after a lengthy discussion they reported that they were unable to agree.

The committee on printing was authorized to contract for the printing of the city documents for 1887, and the school board was requested to have their annual report included.

When the order striking out the \$25,000, for new bridges, and appropriating \$6,000 for the thorough repair of the old ones, came down, Councilman Chadwick said that he did not believe in any temporary repairs, as it was only throwing away money.

Councilman Redpath suggested that the whole matter be referred to next year's committee.

Councilman Moody said that the bridge at Lower Falls was unsafe, and it should be repaired in a substantial manner, or a new bridge should be built. A good deal had been said in favor of reform in his part of the city as well as in the rest of Newton, and putting the bridge in thorough repair for such a small sum, instead of going to the expense of a new bridge just at this time, would be a move in that direction, especially as the selection of Wellesley, according to statements that had been made, had no intention of helping to build a new bridge at present. It was better to have the bridge repaired, than to have nothing done, which seemed the only alternative. If the next city government deem it advisable, they can add to this amount a sufficient sum to build a new bridge.

Councilman Burr said that if the bridges could be repaired in a substantial manner for 20 per cent of the cost of new ones, he would favor it, and asked the city engineer as to the possibility of repairing them.

Mr. Noyes said that he had examined both bridges carefully, and thought that they could be repaired so as to last as long as new structures of the same kind, which would be for five or more years. Planning just about three years, and timbers about 10.

Councilman Burr said it was not dignified for fitting that a city like Newton should allow unsafe bridges to remain; they should be made safe, whether by repairs or by building new ones.

Councilman Chadwick said it was not a time for any temporary expedients. There was a great deal said about economy, but it was all because an election was approaching; after election nothing would be heard of any demands for reducing taxes, and the council should act on that principle.

Councilman Powell agreed with the last speaker and said that a permanent structure should be built if anything was done.

Councilman Moody said it was extremely doubtful if the Wellesley selection would agree to build a new bridge the coming year, but he thought there was no doubt of their being willing to expend a moderate sum in making thorough repairs.

On motion of Councilman Burr the action of the Aldermen was concurred in, the \$25,000 for new bridges was struck out and \$6,000 for repairs inserted. The order taking \$250 from the school incidentals for the conveyance of pupils, gave rise to a long discussion, it being opposed by Councilmen Tyler, Dix and Powell, and advocated by Councilman Billings, Redpath and others, but at the end Councilman Tyler said that he would give way, as it might be a hardship on the pupils at present, and as there seemed to be so much feeling in regard to the matter. This was the last item of disagreement and after concurring, the board adjourned.

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## A Socialist Defined.

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This little story is told by a cardinal to his secretary, Don Paolo, Marzio's brother: "A deputation of Socialists waited upon a high personage in Vienna. Who knows what for? But they went. They told him that it was his duty to divide his wealth among the inhabitants of the city. And he said they were quite right. 'Look here,' said he, 'I possess about 700,000 florins. It chances that Vienna has about 700,000 inhabitants. Here, you have each a florin. It is your share. Good morning.' The cardinal seems to have plagiarized from Gen. Butler, substituting a florin for the Yankee's postage stamp.

"Oh, I feel so bad," said a Hartford six-year-old. "I guess it must be my conscience." "Why, my dear," queried her mother, "you haven't been telling any wrong stories, have you?" "Oh, dear, no! But I did eat too much dinner, and my conscience aches right here," pressing hard the most painful spot childhood carries.—[Hartford Post.

Miss Pittsburg—"Do you believe in marriage, Miss Chicago?" Miss Chicago—"Why, cert. How else could we ever have any divorces?"—[Tid-Bits.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

MIDDLESEX, SS.

## CITY OF NEWTON.

To Daniel M. Hammond, City Marshal, or one of the Constables of the City of Newton.

Greeting: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of WARD NO. ONE, qualified to vote at the law directs, to assemble at

Armory Hall, IN SAID WARD.

On Tuesday, the 6th day of December next,

at seven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until eleven minutes past four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for a Mayor and seven Aldermen, one Alderman being selected from each Ward.

Also to give in their ballots for two Common Councilmen for said Ward, both of whom shall be residents therein.

Also to give in their ballots for five members of the School Committee, two of whom shall be selected from Ward No. One, two from Ward Four and one from Ward Seven, to serve each for the term of three years, commencing on the first Monday of January next.

All of the above officers to be voted for on one ballot, except that the votes for School Committee by women will be by a separate ballot.

Also to give in their ballots, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city?"

The polls will be opened at seven o'clock in the forenoon, and closed at eleven minutes past four o'clock in the afternoon, on the day aforesaid.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting a true copy thereof in not less than four public places in said Ward, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and publishing the same in the NEWTON GRAPHIC and Newton Journal.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Warden of said Ward, on or before the sixth day of December next.

Witnesses, J. Wesley Kimball, Mayor of our said City of Newton, on this the fourteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty seven.

J. WESLEY KIMBALL, Mayor.

The form of warrant is the same in all the wards with exception of numbers and the places of meeting as hereinafter stated:

Ward 2—Associates' Building.  
Ward 3—City Hall.  
Ward 4—Auburn Hall.  
Ward 5—Old Prospect School House, Upper Falls.  
Ward 6—Associates' Hall, Pleasant Street.  
Ward 7—Nonantum Hall.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen,  
ISAAC F. KINGSBURY, City Clerk.

A true copy, Attest:  
DANIEL M. HAMMOND, City Marshal.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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CITY OF NEWTON, Nov. 18, 1887.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, I hereby warn the citizens of Wards No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, qualified to vote at the law directs, to assemble at the time and place, and for the purposes therein set forth.

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## THE GREAT REFORM VICTORY.

The general dissatisfaction at the action of the Reform convention in regard to the school board should not cause people to overlook what they did that was really praiseworthy. After all the great flourish of trumpets over reform and economy, the convention, composed, as the chairman proudly announced, of our biggest tax-payers, went to work and renominated three out of the seven present members of the board of aldermen, and would probably have renominated the remainder if they had been willing to accept. The four vacancies thus left, they filled by promoting three members from the Common Council, so that the net reform produced was one alderman. Mr. Childs will have a heavy burden upon his shoulders the coming year, as upon him alone will rest the burden of introducing all the much talked of economy and reform. If Alderman Hollis had consented to accept, the whole reform accomplished by the convention would have consisted in nominating a candidate for mayor who refused to accept the nomination.

The task of accomplishing all this in the cause of reform and economy was so burdensome, that the convention had to take an adjournment, when, having found a candidate for mayor, they will proceed to construct a platform for him to stand on. The renominations of course mean that those gentlemen are all right, they have only to follow the same course they have in the past, and the platform will be solely for the guidance of the new alderman and the mayor.

In the common council the cause of reform will flourish also, in the shape of seven out of the fourteen councilmen, five of whom were chosen because the old members refused a renomination, and two because of the promotion of the former members to the upper branch.

A great victory has certainly been won for Reform, and the members of the convention deserve the congratulations of their friends and neighbors for their brilliant success! It was only accomplished by good solid work, and if the appropriations were not all exhausted, except that for drains and culverts, the city council ought to vote each member a medal, as was done to the members of the old guard at Chicago.

Seriously, however, is not the city government of Newton to be congratulated, when after a Reform campaign and the most searching criticism, so little fault can be found with the city council that all its members who desired it are given a renomination. They have been censured right and left for spending so much money, and then consoled by being given a renomination, and told not to do it again. While the convention is about it, it ought to renominate Mayor Kimball for the sake of "harmony" and because he has been "criticized," and on account of "the principle of maintaining respect for authority," and probably just as much progress would be made towards reform as under any other man that could be nominated. As has been said many times, the mayor of our city has very little to do with the expenditure of money.

## THE SCHOOL BOARD QUESTION.

The action of the Reform convention in regard to Ward Seven's candidate for the school board was an instance of almost unparalleled discourtesy. That respectable gentlemen should be willing to lend themselves to a movement to force an undesired candidate upon a ward has called forth much unflattering comment, and it is something which they will regret, we believe, in cooler moments.

We have nothing to say against Mr. Weed personally, but his ward caucus, composed of a majority of its voters, said explicitly, and by a vote of 4 to 180 that they did not want him. After this there is only one thing for a gentleman who respects himself to do, and that is to retire. To accept a nomination under such conditions is something which few men would be willing to do.

The speakers at the convention, who had met to defeat the nomination of a

city official whom they have been criticizing more or less severely, rather inconsistently advanced the argument that when a city official (meaning a member of the school committee) is adversely criticized, he must be re-elected, in order to maintain a proper respect for authority, and they gravely announced it a principle that members of the school board must be held sacred from adverse criticism. They also announced that all the members must be returned, for the sake of harmony, and showed their determination to fight for it by clubbing Ward 7, thus interfering in a ward matter with which they had no concern, and foisting an undesired candidate upon the voters of a ward. Perhaps the speakers were not so much to be blamed, however, they had to carry out the demands of a caucus held at the office of a member of the school board.

Although the members of the school board are above criticism, we should like to ask, with all due reverence, whether it was in good taste for Mr. C. C. Barton, the leader of the majority of the school board, and for Messrs Frost and Putney—two other members of the majority, to take an active part in a convention, when their own acts were to be in a measure passed upon? Most men would have lacked the moral courage, we will call it, for such a proceeding, but as was intimated at the meeting, members of the school board are not amenable to ordinary rules.

We should also like to ask, if it is not impertinent, why one or more of these gentlemen refrained from voting for Mr. Fisher Ames, although they seemed to have no conscientious scruples against voting for any of the other candidates? It was to be expected, of course, that they would be among the most enthusiastic listeners to the unique sentiments that were put forth.

Another thing, this was a "Reform" convention, supposed to be actuated only by sincere desire for economy and reform, lower taxes, and to be thorough-going non-partisans, and so on. Yet in spite of these pretensions they vote to return men who have aided to make their department not only the most extravagant one in the city, but in all New England, and whose demands upon the city increase at an alarming ratio every year. If economy is needed anywhere, it is needed in our school department, and it is also the most difficult one to control. The city council can be changed at every election, but it is different with the school board, who have shown themselves regardless of public sentiment. The schools cost now about \$120,000 a year, and the new buildings and repairs would bring the sum to nearly \$150,000, one fourth of the whole appropriation of the city. For this reason alone it is time that new members were put upon the school board, who will put a stop to extravagance. No matter who is elected Mayor, he has no control over school board expenses.

## A COMMON SENSE REMEDY.

There is no question that a reform is needed in our city government, but the necessity for it is evidently not felt yet so strongly as to lead to any honest efforts to obtain it. The so-called Reform convention of Wednesday, turned out to be merely an effort to have a change in the office of mayor, regardless of the fact that under the present city charter the mayor is merely a figure-head, with no vote in any committee, no real authority over any of the departments, and with very little responsibility. He can interpose a veto, it is true, when the appropriations are brought in, and he can use his influence, but he can not prevent any committee from spending money in any way they desire.

If the mayor really had the power that that official has in other cities, it might make a great difference who held that office, but when our city charter was framed, there seemed to be a feeling of distrust of mayors, and he was given as little power and responsibility as possible. The present system does not work satisfactorily, it is evident enough; there is no man who can be held responsible, the power is so divided up between the members of the various committees.

It is of course impossible to amend the charter at once, but a correspondent points out how certain much needed reforms could be easily brought about, if the next city government desired. His suggestions are worthy of careful study, and if heeded they will save the city much expense, as well as introduce a more systematic and business like method of transacting the city's business. An excellent board of aldermen has been nominated, even if all but one are old members. Aldermen Johnson, Ward, and Petee have proved their efficiency and worth; Councilmen Chadwick, Dix and Tyler are all business men, who give the same care to the city's business that they do to their own, and Mr. Childs has enough independence and ability to equip several aldermen. The board can do a great deal towards reform if they feel that the people demand it.

## THE RETIRING ALDERMEN.

The retiring aldermen will deprive the city council of some of its most valuable members. Alderman Hollis has brought about much needed changes in the street light department, and could always be depended upon for intelligent action on any question that came up. It was with great regret that his determination to refuse a renomination was heard. Alderman Grant was one of the best business men on the board, and his acuteness and keen insight could always be relied upon when knotty questions came up. On the finance committee his services were invaluable. Alderman Nickerson as chairman of the street committee had probably the most laborious and difficult position to fill in the city council, but

he was always on hand at the meetings, and he managed that department as well as any man could have done, as the committee is now made up, and when property owners all over the city were demanding that their streets should receive attention. Some of the men who are now calling most loudly for economy were the most clamorous for improvements on their streets. Mr. Nickerson has a right to enjoy his well earned leisure.

## OUR COSTLY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

The last report of the State Board of Education gives some interesting statistics regarding the public schools of the state. From this it appears that Newton heads the list as regards school expenses. For each child of school age Newton expended for the year the report was made out, 1885-86, \$28.71, or a total of \$103,691.45. No other city or town in the state came within \$1.64 of the amount.

A list has been made up of the larger cities and towns, showing the sum expended for pupil, the total appropriation and the number of pupils, which is worthy of careful study by all who do not believe in extravagant expenditures.

	Amount per child of school age.	Amount Total	Number of chil- dren.
Newton	\$28.71	\$103,691	3,611
Brookline	26.37	42,000	1,615
Roxbury	20.16	1,385,313	68,702
Waltham	19.56	47,490	2,453
Haverhill	16.46	59,288	3,600
New Bedford	15.82	81,195	5,131
Cambridge	15.79	173,092	10,957
Somerville	15.34	86,053	5,608
Springfield	15.19	96,211	6,330
Quincy	14.35	34,679	2,416
Salem	14.24	70,895	4,376
Lowell	13.52	148,375	10,970
Worcester	12.57	176,130	13,269
Lynn	12.30	95,250	7,350
Chelsea	12.41	58,476	4,709
Gloucester	12.18	47,662	3,894
Taunton	11.86	60,000	4,215
Fall River	11.58	136,007	11,741
Brookton	10.70	37,200	3,477
Lawrence	10.46	72,707	6,917
Holyoke	8.85	61,691	5,836

From this it will be seen that our school system costs more than that of other cities with nearly double our number of pupils, while it is double or more that of cities which have about the same number of pupils to educate.

It should be remembered that the school appropriation this year is some \$14,000 more than that of two years ago, and that it does not include the cost of new school houses, repair of buildings, and many other items, which would bring the total up to a formidable sum.

The school expenses increase every year and many people are beginning to inquire if it is not time some economy should be introduced into our school system, as well as into other departments of the city. They are also asking why it is that Newton schools cost so much more than those of any other city in the state, and if they are so much better than the schools of Springfield, Worcester, Quincy, Lowell, Lynn, or any other cities, that we are justified in expending so much more than those cities?

If this extra cost is necessary, of course nothing would be said. Newton believes in giving her school children the best possible advantages, but the question is whether all this money is necessary, or merely needless extravagance?

We do not pay the majority of our teachers much if any more than do most other cities, where the expenses are much less; we have about the same number of pupils to a teacher; the same proportion of school houses, and all this extra expense is difficult for outsiders to account for. People are asking whether a careful scrutiny of the accounts would not reveal a large number of items that could be cut off without injury to the schools.

Perhaps the accession of new members, who are interested in an economical expenditure of the school funds, may have a wholesome effect upon the majority of the board, who have brought the expenses up to such an extravagant total. Certainly no relief could be reasonably expected if the old members are kept in power year after year. People are asking why the majority of the board and the superintendent are so bitterly opposed to the election of any new members, and willing to resort to any means in order to prevent it?

## SOME FATAL BLUNDERS.

The refusal of Mr. Farlow enforces the Municipal Reformers in a very bad plight, and it was an almost fatal blunder to nominate a man who had repeatedly said that he could not accept, and who has the reputation of meaning what he says. The convention no longer occupies the proud position of seeking the best man for Mayor, they are now only looking for a man who will accept. Most men have some excusable pride, and are not willing to accept a second hand nomination that has gone the rounds of the leading men of the city. It is astonishing how many men there are who are now too much occupied with private business to accept that nomination.

This blunder, added to the one in regard to the school committee, has given the opposition every advantage they could ask for, and if Mayor Kimball could be persuaded to accept another term, the so-called Reformers may console themselves with the fact that they have done their best to elect him.

It is a very different set of men who will meet at City Hall, Saturday night; humility will take the place of arrogance. They have had their chance and recklessly thrown it away, and the main interest will now center in the other convention that meets in Nickerson's Hall. As Mayor Kimball is a member of the school committee, the convention ought to have renominated him, in order to be consistent, but unfortunately he was not on the side of the majority and so the convention was not ordered to support him.

—The refusal of Mr. Fisher Ames to accept a renomination for the school board does not excite much surprise, although his refusal will be a great loss

to the board. There are half a dozen members who could have better been spared. As at present constituted, the school board is not a very pleasant place for any man who is not willing to have all his thinking done for him.

Why was Alderman Harwood's name not presented at the Reform convention is a question which his friends are asking. Was he picked out as a victim to "reform," or what was the matter? It is said that he was not given the usual compliment of a second term, because his claim to recognition conflicted with the ambitions of the other candidates.

The question is asked whom Mr. Weed will represent, if he should take the nomination so curiously given him by the convention? He will not represent Ward Seven, as that ward did not choose him, and has shown that it does not want him. He should be credited to Ward Five, one of whose delegates nominated him, or to the city at large.

The Reform Convention was a model for "partisan" bodies to follow. As was stated by the speakers, none of the delegates had any candidates in mind, but only desired the men who would best represent the city, and then the proceedings went off with the smoothness of clockwork. Such unanimity in a convention that had arranged nothing beforehand was certainly phenomenal.

FRIENDS of No-License in Newton should not forget that it is an issue in the coming election.

Why did not even one delegate from Ward Seven renominate Alderman Harwood?

WHAT IS THE REMEDY?  
A COMMON SENSE PLAN FOR BRINGING ABOUT REFORM.

Editor of the GRAPHIC:

I ventured in a communication last week to suggest that it is useless to hope for much improvement in the management of the city's affairs, so long as the present system continues, and the nominations by the non-partisan Reform caucuses and convention do not contradict the statement. The experiment of surrendering our votes, and giving to a caucus-appointed committee the selection of our municipal government is a dangerous one, and in this instance it has not shown any improvement over the ordinary methods, while the possibilities for unfair dealing are greatly increased. The nominees of the convention do not at once suggest a vigorous and fresh reform impulse in the city council, the place where reform is needed. Mr. Kimball's long experience with the city's business, makes him the best qualified to conduct the business, so far as it rests with the mayor, in an economical and efficient manner, and in my judgment, a change, even for a man of such sterling qualities and high character as Mr. Farlow, is likely to bring about any improvement. The only remedy which can improve things is a radical change in the city charter, giving to the mayor a much greater power and corresponding responsibility. Take the highway department, for instance: under the charge of a committee of seven members, one from each ward, the conditions are the most favorable possible for irresponsibility and shiftness and vacillating management, and that is just what we find in that department. We have too many regular employees; too many horses and carts, and too little good work done on our streets. The work of repairs should all be laid out, the cost estimated, and the work supervised by one man only, who should be responsible to the mayor, of course limited to the appropriations previously granted by the city council.

If board of aldermen, after proper investigation, are satisfied that a new street is required, they should lay it out in due form, and then entrust the execution of the work to the superintendent, and he should have the right and the power to have such work done by contract or by day labor, as he should find to be most for the city's interest, just as he would manage his own private business. This cannot be done without an enabling act of the legislature, and is hardly worth considering now, as it is out of reach; the new city government can at least do something to help by changing the ordinance in regard to the committee on highways, so that the committee should consist of not more than three members; in that way the responsibility can be narrowed somewhat. Then that committee should be required by public sentiment, if not by ordinance, to place the management of the streets into the hands of the superintendent of streets, and allow no business to be suggested by any member. If this were done, one of the worst leaks in the public purse would be partially stopped. The same should be done with all the other departments, and the supervision of all work done for the city put into the hands of someone at the head of and responsible for the department in which it is done. But the charge and the responsibility together as far as can be done under our present system. I think the average member of our city council is not anxious for the patronage or the power that his position gives him; that all would like to believe if a proper man could be charged with the duties, whom they could hold responsible. The city government can best show their desire for reform by concentrating responsibility and not subdividing it.

## THE RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

AN INQUEST HELD TUESDAY MORNING.

TESTIMONY OF SEVERAL WITNESSES.

Judge Park presided at the inquest Tuesday morning, in the police court room, relative to the accident at Newton on Thanksgiving afternoon, by which three men lost their lives. Mr. Hudson represented the counsel the Boston and Albany Railroad Company. Mr. W. H. Whittier testified that he crossed the track just previous to the accident, but found nothing to obstruct his passage on the south side; on the north side the gates were slightly raised, allowing him to pass under them.

The second witness was Mr. Thomas Keith, the gateman. He testified that both gates were down and the lanterns lighted and hanging from them. The gates were not raised after they had been lowered for a Boston bound train, he having heard the signal announcing the approach of a mile away, immediately after the passage of the inward train. One of the northern gates was broken off near the castings by the horse or cart, which was thrown against it when struck by the train.

Mr. Chas. Flagg, the engineer of the express, said that he had been an engineer about thirty years. The night on which the accident occurred was very dark, and the first intimation he had was when the engine struck something, and he saw it was a team of some kind. Apparently the team was not directly in front of the engine, but rather to one side. The train was running about thirty miles an hour, and the engine bell was ringing before the crossing was reached.

Mr. F. E. Judkins, the next witness, said that a short time before the accident he stood looking from a window of the

enginehouse, which is near by. Although very dark, he could tell that the gates were down, for he saw the lights suspended from them. Hearing the crash he went to the crossing, where he found Gorman, the man saved, lying between the gate and the gate house. Assistance was obtained, and the man carried to the engine house.

Mr. John Carter, who stood near the south side of the track, also testified to the gates being down, having seen the lights. The team was driven at a pretty rapid rate against the gate, snapping a portion of it off; passing across three tracks it turned to the west, when on the northernmost track.

Mr. W. J. Crowell substantiated Mr. Carter's evidence in regard to the breaking of the gate and the crossing the tracks. He was driving down Washington street and saw the team just ahead of him.

The hearing was adjourned until Friday, Dec. 9, as Patrick Gorman, the surviving member of the party, was unable to be present.

## High School Review.

The November number issued on Wednesday is a very creditable number in appearance and contents. The members of the school will find an interesting review of the school happenings for the month, and the alumni will be much interested in the "Alumni Column." In addition are two interesting stories and an "Analysis of Certain Verbal Forms," bright "Siftings" and judicious clippings enliven the paper, which is larger by four pages than usual, numbering twenty this month.

## Citizen's Convention.

The citizens of Newton are hereby called to meet in

## Mass Convention,

—AT—

## NICKERSON'S HALL,

—ON—

## SATURDAY EVENING,

December 3d.

At 8 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating a Mayor, Aldermen, and School Committee for the ensuing year.

Per Order of the

CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE

## MARRIED.

SHANNON-DOLAN—In Newton Lower Falls, Nov. 24, Margaret G. Dolan to John W. Shannon of Norfolk, Mass.  
CLAPP-HALDWIN—In Boston, Nov. 26th, by Rev. C. E. Davis, Harriett Elizabeth Baldwin of Newton to Eugene R. Clapp of Hyde Park.  
MORGAN-KENNEY—In Newton, Lower Falls, Nov. 24, by Rev. M. O'Brien, Annie Kenney to John Francis Morgan of Onondaga, N. Y.  
FAGAN-CHAFFIN—At Newton Centre, Nov. 30th, by Rev. Amos E. Lawrence, Mrs. Ellen Craig to Thomas Fagan, both of Newton Centre.  
HALFRED-JUWETT—At Grace church Nov. 22, by the Rev. Dr. G. W. Shinn, Samuel Halfred and Ann Jowett.  
FOLSON-DANIEL—At Abundant, Dec. 1, by Rev. H. A. Metcalf, Harriet E. Folson to Lyndon, Vt., to Jennie L. Darling of Abundant.

## DIED.

ALLEN—In Passaic, N. J., at the residence of her son-in-law, C. C. Chamberlain, of pneumonia, Clarissa Fiske, widow of Phineas Allen of West Newton, aged 80 yrs. 25 days. Funeral at Methodist church, Thursday, at 2 p. m.  
WILLIAMS—In West Newton, Nov. 28th, Alice Maudie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Williams, aged 16 yrs. 8 mos.  
CAMMINS—In Andover, Nov. 26, Margaret Cammings, aged 1 mo.  
DECATUR—In Newtonville, Nov. 27, Mildred Wheeler, infant daughter of Austin H. and Mary Decatur.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

WANTED—A man who is willing to accept a second-hand nomination for mayor. No references required and no questions asked. Apply at City Hall, Saturday evening. Please come early.

FOR SALE—A very fine new milch cow, 6 years old, gives 18 to 20 quarts of milk a day, can be seen at any time, Waverly avenue, Newton. Geo. E. Hatch, Or 13 High street, Boston.

FOUND—At City Hall, Nov. 17th, at 1st performance of Sir Simon, Bart. a pair of opera glasses and fan; owner can have property by calling on Geo. H. Phelps, Treas. of "The Players," 28 Devonshire St., Boston.

FOR SALE—A good sleigh and harness, a great trap, or some one, can be seen at Mr. Wm. B. Locke's, Beacon St., near Alms house. 81f

WANTED—A good seamstress wishes engagements by the day or permanently. Address Miss C. Sutherland, at Mr. McPherson's, Morse's block, Galen street, Watertown. 711

WANTED—A protestant girl for general house work. Address, Mrs. W. Thorpe, Newton Centre. 7

WANTED—To buy live fat hogs; also hogs taken and returned dressed and cut up if desired, to the residence or place of business, at reasonable prices. Address all orders to Patrick Hurley, box 200, Newton Centre, or call at his residence, Boylston street, near Parker street, Ward 5. 713

TEN HOUSES TO RENT and 20 to sell in Newton Centre, Newton Highlands, Upper Falls and Newtonville. W. Thorpe, Newton Centre. 6

WINTER BOARD FOR HORSES—At Elmwood Farm, Needham, Mass.; best of feed and care. Terms \$2 and \$2.50 per week. Address Nathaniel Wales, Needham, Mass. 613

FOR SALE—A new house of 13 rooms and a large pantry and bath room; set tubs in laundry; all piped and wired for electric lighting; fine Oak Grove, 19,000 to 19,500 feet of land; first-class neighborhood on Tappan street, Newton Highlands. For particulars and view of house call on the owner, corner Elliott and Boylston streets. Hiram Ross. 62

TO LET FOR SALE—French Roof Cottage 1 of 7 rooms, 9x50 feet land, bay window, piazzas, cemented cellar, heat by hot water; 23 fruit trees, and shade trees. Address Box 609, Newton, Mass. Ten minutes from Newton depot.

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## NEWTONVILLE.

—Miss Ella Macomber has moved to Newton.

—Mr. O. B. Leavitt has been quite ill this week.

—Mrs. William Page is somewhat more comfortable.

—Mrs. Griffin's little boy on Highland Avenue has scarlet fever.

—Miss Annie Call has been quite ill in New York, but is now much better.

—The Mill house on Mill street has been leased to Mr. E. A. Wilkie of Boston.

—There will be a vesper service in the Universalist church next Sunday evening, at 7.30.

—Mr. Lenwood O. Towne has started for home, and is expected to reach here about a week before Xmas.

—Don't forget the sale and supper in the Universalist Vestry, next Thursday afternoon and evening, December 8.

—The Rev. R. A. White will give his lecture on Martin Luther, a week from next Sunday evening, December 11.

—Mr. Paine is soon to open his drug store in the new block, which is complete in all its details and appointments.

—Mrs. Underhill was prevented from attending to her duties in the High school, one day this week, by illness.

—There is to be a pleasant entertainment this evening in the Swedenborgian parlors, in which many of the children take part.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Stover have gone to New York for the winter, having closed their house on Walnut street.

—There was a special meeting of the "Lend a Hand" society, Wednesday afternoon, in the Universalist church parlors.

—Mrs. Lewis Breeden had a severe ill turn on Sunday, and has since suffered much. At last accounts her condition was not much improved.

—The Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Jr., has positively declined and refused the call to South Boston, much to the relief and gratification of his society.

—Mrs. A. T. Sylvester's father, Mr. Spear, of Boston, died very suddenly last week. She has the heartfelt sympathy of her friends here.

—The Methodist Fair opened most auspiciously on Tuesday evening. A most excellent supper was served every evening and a large number of people attended.

—Mr. Shaw's greenhouse has been bereft of all its chrysanthemums by some buyer, and the space has been filled with carnations, which promise to be very beautiful.

—Don't fail to attend the Newton Firemen's Relief Association entertainment to be held at City Hall, Dec. 7, at 7.45. Tickets to be had of the members of the fire department.

—It is reported that Miss Smead resigned her position on the school board before leaving for California. If this is true Ward Two people have a grievance against the school board.

—There will be a vesper service at the Universalist church, next Sunday evening, at 7.30 o'clock. The following is the program of music to be given.

Softly now the light of Day.....Haven  
Heavenly Dwelling.....Haven  
Thou art our Father.....Haven  
Soprano Solo.....Haven  
Jesus Lover of our Souls.....Haven

—The Women's Relief Corps held a successful meeting last Friday afternoon, at which many charter members were added. There will be a public installation of officers in Masonic Hall on the evening of Dec. 15, to which the members of the post and their wives are invited.

—Councilman Redpath has declined the nomination tendered him at the caucus, much to the regret of the city.

—The ward of Mr. T. C. Nickerson, who received the next highest number of votes, will therefore assist Mr. John A. Fenno to represent Ward 2, in the common council, there is no doubt of their election.

—Christmas sale—"Lend a Hand" society and the ladies of the Newton Universalist church, Washington Park, Newtonville, will hold a sale in their vestry, Thursday, afternoon and evening, Dec. 8th. There will be the usual fancy, and apron tables, pound tables, home made candy tables, flower stands, grab tree, etc. and a cake table furnished with cake made by the young men, which will be the principal attraction. Ice cream, and cake will be for sale. Supper served from 6 till 8. Admission free, supper 25cts.

—The Nonantum Cycle Club held its annual meeting in the club rooms on Monday evening. The report of the treasurer showed a balance of \$285, and all bills paid. The liabilities amount to \$32, in bills not yet due. The club is a very prosperous condition and has between 50 and 60 members. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., A. A. Glines; Vice-Pres., D. S. Harkins; Treas., G. A. Strout; Sec., H. A. Fuller; Capt., W. H. Allen; 1st Lieut., H. A. Vose; 2nd Lieut., G. H. Craitch; Color-bearer, A. W. MacAdam.

—A very successful fair closed Thursday evening at the Methodist church. The parlor had been tastefully decorated by Mr. B. T. Wells and contained the following tables: Children's, in charge of Mrs. Ryder and Miss Nellie Simpson; Young ladies, Miss Marion Towne; Novelty, Mrs. Bridges and Miss Smith; Fancy work, the Mrs. Simpson, Thayer, Towne and Gilman; Preserves, Mrs. D. S. Simpson; Stationery, Mr. H. Carter; Home made candy, the Mrs. L. C. Carter, Abbott, Eaton and Barton; Domestic, Mrs. Nelson Hyde; Flower, Mrs. Harris and Miss Angie Towne. A minister, Queen Anne Cottage by Mr. Clews was voted to Mr. Savage's daughter, an autograph quilt to Mr. Butler's son, an Afghan to the pastor and a clock to Mrs. Butters.

—The meeting of the Newtonville Woman's Guild, at Mrs. J. G. Thompson's, on Monday afternoon, was, notwithstanding the rain, the most largely attended of any thus far this season. Miss Annie Pease contributed very much to the enjoyment of the assembly, by her remarkably artistic rendering of a pleasing operatic selection. The Rev. Mr. White of the Universalist church, read an essay upon Florence Nightingale. It is a very pure and elevating pleasure to a woman to listen to any one of Mr. White's series of lectures upon noble women. He seems himself quite permeated with reverence and admiration for good womanhood, and has a very strongly influencing way of assuming that what these women have done is little more than any of us could do, if we only cared enough about doing it.

## WEST NEWTON.

—Mr. Wm. Golden is very ill.

—Mr. S. E. Howard is in Cooperstown, N. Y.

—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lambert are spending a short time in Cambridge.

—Mrs. John Greenwood and children have gone South for a visit to relatives.

—The I. O. O. F. worked the first degree on several candidates on Thursday evening.

—The Misses Carpenter and Hattie Avery arrived home from Europe Monday night.

—During the winter months the afternoon sessions of the schools will begin at 1.30 and close at 3.30.

—Next Wednesday evening, the Baptist Society will hold the first special of the season in the church parlors.

—A pair of opera glasses and a fan were found at the entertainment given by "The Players," and are advertised in this issue.

The funeral of Maude Langley occurred at the residence of Mr. S. A. Langley on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. O. D. Kimball officiating.

—Buy your tickets early for the Newton Firemen's Relief Association, to be held at City Hall, Dec. 7. Tickets to be had of any member of the Fire department.

—Doubtless many will be surprised to learn that 23,480 tickets to Boston alone were sold at this station during the month of November. Included in this number were 100 100-ride books.

—The widow of Mr. Phineas Allen, for twenty-five years a teacher in this village, died this week in Passaic, N. J., where she has been living since the death of her husband, some three years ago. The funeral service was held on Thursday at Medfield, Mass.

—The paper read by Mrs. Dr. Bates before the Educational Club was a particularly interesting one, and received many flattering comments from the ladies present. An excellent report of it is crowded out this week by political news and will be given next week. Miss Hunt will read the next paper before the club.

—There was a rumor at the city convention that Mr. Ames had declined the use of his name as a candidate for the school committee, and in that case Mr. T. B. Fitz would have been nominated. Mr. Fitz was one of the Ward 3 delegates, but he would not consent to allow his name to be used by any possibility. Mr. Ames could be persuaded to accept another term. As Mr. Ames has refused to accept, much to the regret of his constituents, the delegation will probably nominate Mr. Fitz, unless the delegates from Wards 5 and 6 have some other candidate to present.

—The fair in the parlors of the Unitarian church opened Wednesday evening, a large number being present. The result of the sale of faithful, untiring work on the part of the ladies was seen in the nine tables prettily decorated and laden with beautiful articles which found a ready sale, owing to their attractiveness and the near approach of Christmas. The fair will close this evening, and during which the H. S. '88 Orchestra will render several selections; a social good time will bring the fair to an end. Near the door Mrs. Luke Davis, as the fortune-teller, predicts the future and reads the past. The first table on the right is in charge of Miss Emma Tolman, Mrs. F. Felton, Miss Lovett and Miss Howland. The table is tastefully decorated, red being the prevailing color, and displays fancy work of all kinds, hand painted china and decorated calendars, the articles being the gifts of the young ladies of the society. The neighboring table, trimmed with blue, is also devoted to fancy work and displays many fine brooches; several handsome pillows and some hand-made hammocks for children attract attention. Mrs. Crockett, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Stacy and Mrs. White have this table. Upon the apron table at the opening of the fair were more than two hundred and fifty articles of all descriptions, from the common kitchen apron to that of the finest muslin, adorned with gay ribbons. For this display, credit is due Mrs. Spinney, Mrs. Morion, Mrs. Nickerson and Mrs. Otis. Under the gracefully draped arch on the stage is the table adorned with bunting, at which name the donors of the fair are seated. The table is devoted to the children's contributions. The young people have been very industrious, and among the three hundred or more articles shown are many pretty ones. From a booth trimmed with green, Miss May Lovett and Miss Stewart supply flowers to the many who desire them, and in the north-east corner, beneath an arch of poppies, is a tempting display of can-lies, in charge of Mrs. Humphrey and Mrs. Webster. Mrs. Fleu and Mrs. Jaynes preside at an attractive Japanese table, and Mrs. Jaynes Sunday school class occupies a booth from which Miss Bliss, Burrage, Ames, Felton, and Lovett supply stationery to all comers. An "Art Gallery," conducted by Mrs. Newell, and a grab-department cause considerable amusement. When the reports are in it is hoped and expected that the fair will net a handsome sum, and as much of success financially as it has been socially.

## AUBURNDALE.

—Ferdinand Pluta has been confined to the house for two weeks by a severe attack of rheumatism.

—W. C. Brown, who has been on the sick list at home for a month, returned to business on Thursday.

—Several children are reported as sick with the scarlet fever at Miss Williston's home, Melrose street.

—Miss Nina Brown is spending the winter at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Markham, on Wolcott street.

—Miss Jennie Crowninshield of New York is to be the guest of Mrs. Rogers of Central street for the winter.

—On Saturday evening a slight fire at the house of Mr. O'Donnell on Melrose street, called out the fire department.

—All should aid the firemen's relief fund by buying tickets for the entertainment at City Hall, next Wednesday evening.

—A progressive euchre party was given on Wednesday evening for Miss Florence Swan of Brooklyn, N. Y., by Mrs. T. B. Lindsay at her home on Maple street.

—At the meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society in connection with the Charles Ward Post at Newtonville, Mrs. G. M. Fiske tendered her resignation as first vice-president.

—Rev. B. K. Pierce, D. D., editor of "The Zion's Herald," will give a lecture upon "Thomas a Becket," at Lasell, Dec. 7th, at 7.30 o'clock p. m. Friends are welcome.

—Master John Bragdon while playing in the gymnasium at Lasell on Thurs-

day giving night fell and cut his head quite badly, though the injury is not so serious as was at first feared.

—All are glad to hear that Mrs. Wright is recovering slowly from her protracted illness, and that the treatment which she is now receiving from Boston physicians proves so beneficial.

—Mrs. Mary Whall, who has been here on a short visit over Thanksgiving, when she was the guest of Mrs. Charles Brown, returned on Monday to Philadelphia, taking her little daughter with her.

—On two of the darkest evenings of last week the street lamps of this part of the city were unlighted, and the streets were both disagreeable and dangerous for foot passengers and carriages.

—The Amphion male quartet, consisting of Messrs. J. W. Davis, C. B. Ashendon, Arthur Ashendon and W. W. Cole, assisted at the Vesper Service of the Congregational church on last Sunday evening.

—A number of our musical friends attended the first concert of this season of the Apollo Club on Tuesday night. Several Auburndale gentlemen are members, among them, Mr. Geo. G. Brown, who has lately been admitted.

—Next Sunday will be observed as Missionary Day at the Centenary Methodist church. The pastor will preach at the usual hour in the morning. The Sunday School will present interesting information at a Missionary concert in the evening at 6.30.

—Last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Keyes, assisted by about fifty friends, celebrated their tin wedding at the close of ten years of happy married life. The party enjoyed a few dances and the supper provided by the hostess, the occasion being much enjoyed by the large number present, many of whom testified to their esteem by handsome presents.

—A series of pleasant neighborhood Socials are being given by the families of the north side of the track in the vicinity of Auburndale avenue. The parties are basket parties, and each hostess provides a different entertainment. The first social was held at the house of Mrs. Alfred Brush, and took the form of a card party. The intention is to hold a meeting every fortnight.

—All of our citizens who will buy paintings for Christmas presents and for the permanent adornment of their homes, may not know of the large variety of fine paintings at the rooms of Mrs. George Kimball on Howe street, any of which can be obtained at moderate prices, and we understand that Mrs. Kimball takes orders and will transfer to canvass any view desired. Her paintings of Echo Bridge and other well known places are highly spoken of.

—The guests registered at the Woodland Park Hotel this week: A. H. Overman and wife, Newton; B. R. Wilson, Boston; Miss Smith, Wellesley; Chas. H. Richardson, Newton; Leonard D. Ahl, Sing Sing, New York; E. Graves, Mrs. E. W. Green, W. B. Green, W. B. Greene, Ed. A. Greene, West Newton; J. E. Rothery, wife and son, Brookline; Ed. R. Benton and wife, Miss Carrie Benton and A. C. Benton, Newton Centre; Robert E. Anderson, Wellesley; Miss M. Anderson, Miss Hubbard, Boston; Dr. J. H. Woods and wife, Brookline; E. A. Farnham, Boston; Ewing F. Chapin, Chas. C. Parker, Boston; E. H. Dixon, So. Eliot, Me.; W. L. Flanders, Boston. On Wednesday evening a Tally-Ho party from Boston took supper at the hotel; Mrs. M. C. Harding, Miss Williamson, Miss May, Mr. Slocum, Mr. Barr, Mr. Hutchins.

—A very pleasant wedding occurred at the home of Mr. N. F. Nye on Central street, on Thursday morning, December 1st, when Miss Jennie E. Darling was married to Mr. H. E. Falsom. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. A. Metcalf in accordance with the Episcopal form of service. The bride was attired in travelling dress. After the congratulations were received, wedding breakfast was admirably served by Lee. The bridal party left on an afternoon train for Washington, and after a short trip will go to Lyndonville, Vermont, where they will make their home. Among the guests present at the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Darling of New York, uncle and aunt of the bride; Mr. Charles Darling of Texas, brother to the bride, Mr. and Mrs. G. Wetherbee of New York, with other relatives and friends. The bride is a graduate of Lasell Seminary, and takes away with her the sincere congratulations of many friends. Mr. Falsom has for several years been superintendent of the Connecticut and Passumpsic Railroad.

## TUESDAY'S CONVENTION.

THE SCHOOLS SACRIFICED IN THE INTEREST OF POLITICS.

Editor of the GRAPHIC:

The self-styled "Reform" movement, which culminated Tuesday evening in the convention at City Hall, was remarkable in several ways. The people were led to believe that the movement promised a millennium in our city affairs. The citizens without regard to race, party or creed were to meet in their respective wards, and elect delegates to a convention. All self-interest, jealousy and personalities were to be left at home, the present city government was to be turned out and "a radical change in administration of our municipal affairs" to be accomplished.

Lured by such promises hundreds of citizens attended the ward caucuses, who had never attended before. In most of the wards the majority was the all-absorbing topic of discussion, and the other matters were lost sight of. Tuesday evening the convention met—old hands grasped the tiller, and the convention proved exceedingly tractable. Harmony was to be obtained no matter who were nominated—there was no differences in the convention, what ever might be necessary to prevent them. The wishes of the constituents were of no consequence so long as the delegates were satisfied, for (so reasoned the leaders) "our's will be the only ticket in the field, and is therefore sure to elect whoever we nominate." A good example of this feeling was the treatment of Ward 7. The extraordinary doctrine was advanced that the school committee were not to be criticised, but their authority upheld and their actions endorsed by re-election, no matter of what sins of commission or omission they might be guilty. The mayor and aldermen would be held to strictest account of their stewardship, but the school board was something higher and above the reach of the humble voters. The people were taught that reverence and submission was due to this august body, whose acts were not to be questioned. So, when the delegation from Ward 7 presented the name of a most highly respected clergyman, (as they had been unanimously instructed to do) as their representative in the school board, the convention, led by members of other wards, who had no interest (except a personal one) in the decision, forced upon the ward a candidate, whose name had been submitted to the caucus and rejected by the overwhelming majority of 179 to 41! There was a shouting of the question at the ward caucus; the issue was made by Mr. Weed's

friends, and the caucus by a unanimous vote of 183, instructed the delegates to present to the convention the name of Mr. Herbrook. The meeting was more than usually representative in its character, a large number attending for the first time—and probably for the last time, if the animosity expressed with of the ward concerning its own representation is to be thus ruthlessly ignored and set at defiance. The delegates of Ward 7 failed in their duty to their constituents in not insisting upon their rights, and being respected, or in each refusal, in not resenting the insult by withdrawing from the convention. It was not a question as to whether the late head-master of the High School was right or wrong, as intimated by some members. This is a thing of the past and revenge is neither sought nor desired—it is simply whether the wishes of voters of a ward, properly expressed in a public meeting called for the purpose, and to be respected or not. The reasons prompting such wishes may be many or few, but they in no way concern the convention. The only pretext for ignoring and overruling the wish of the voters, was that in the interests of harmony, the board should be endorsed. Even though it might be necessary to unduly disregard the choice of the people. The question now before the voters of the ward in question is whether they will quietly submit to this outrage, or whether they will protest in a manner which cannot be misunderstood. The other wards are also interested in this matter, for there is no telling whose rights may next be sacrificed "to secure harmony"—and votes for certain candidates.

It has come to a pretty pass when nominations for the school committee, a perfectly non-partisan body, are dictated by other wards than the one which the candidate is supposed to represent, merely to suit the whims or interests of political manipulators. The vote on next Tuesday will settle the question, not of the wisdom of the school board, but of the wisdom of the school board in not insisting upon its rights, and of the former school committee, in not insisting upon its rights.

The fair representation of each ward in the school board, in constituting it to using the offices of the board to secure harmony in a political convention and to ensure the success of political aspirants for office.

The proceedings of the convention moved with agreeable smoothness—each knew his part, and when the proper time came spoke his little piece, nominating a candidate, who was accepted without question—apparently the members feared that any discussion would disturb the equilibrium.

The statement by the chairman that no delegate came there to work or vote for any particular candidate now appears in its true colors, and we now realize what a stupendous piece of humbug it was. In short the unanimity of the meeting proved conclusively (which is the current opinion to-day) that it was "all cut and dried" beforehand by astute politicians.

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## MEDITATIONS OF A JEALOUS RIVAL.

(Century Brie-a-brac)

Yes, here I lounge and mope,  
An object of misanthrope,  
As she walks,  
And looks up with winsome grace  
In his red mustachioed face  
While he talks.

Of course she worships him—  
I see her "in the swim"  
And I am  
When he speaks, to see her laugh  
One would think this golden calf  
Was a saint.

The fact is, he's an heir  
And owns his coach and pair,  
And a house  
Which he wheedled from "papa."  
While I dwell in quarters  
La chère.

I'm but a menial clerk—  
I have to grind and work  
Like a mill;  
And I go with baggy knees  
And my coat patched up; but he's  
Dressed to kill.

Where'er I call, alack,  
His hat usurps the rack,  
Sure as fate;  
And he jokes and romps with him,  
But with me she's very prim  
And sedate.

You see the reason why  
I moan around and sigh—  
I've no show;  
She is all eyes for the well;  
And I guess I might as well  
Let her go.

They've turned the corner now—  
She sees me "a bow-wow!"  
And a smile!  
Loverly girl I never knew,  
Prayer it would be better to  
Wait awhile!

W. E. K.

## LIVING A STORY.

When Mr. Howard Sidney was unlocking his box at the postoffice, he heard a child's voice say, with the usual beggar's whine:

"Please, sir, give me two cents to buy some coal?"

Mr. Sidney could never resist the temptation to tease, so he said:

"You can't buy coal for two cents, can you?"

"Oh, yes, sir; down to Tommy Dolan's. He'll give you more than Jimmy Snikes will."

"Is that so? I must go to Mr. Dolan and lay in my winter supply, then."

The address of a letter caught his eye, and he turned aside to open it. The little beggar began again in the same whine:

"Please, sir, give me two cents?"

He turned quickly, and said with mock gravity:

"Excuse me, my child; but you shouldn't whine. Just step up like any young lady and say: 'Will you please give me two cents?' Say it in a quiet dignified manner, and I guess you'll get the two cents. Say it now."

The child hardly knew whether he was in fun or in earnest, but she said it after him, and he gravely handed her two bright pennies. She stood looking at them as they lay in her hand.

"Well, what is it?" he asked.

"Please, sir, shine so," she said, and looked up into his face with eyes that shone with happiness.

"And so the young lady has an eye for the beautiful. Do you know where Woodside is? I live there. You come there to-morrow morning, if you happen to be making calls in that vicinity, and I'll give you some more pennies, and may be a bunch of raisins, if I happen to feel good-natured. Will you favor me with a call?"

"Yes sir," said the child; and again she looked at the bright pennies and up into his face, and smiled as if some great happiness, unheard of before, had lighted down upon her.

Mr. Sidney went home and read his letters and forgot all about the little girl, till the next morning his man John came to tell him that a child was at the back door, who said he had told her to come.

"John," said Mr. Sidney, "when a young lady does me the honor to call, please show her into my study. Yes, John was accustomed to his master's whims, so he went out with a well-suppressed smile, while Mr. Sidney made a hasty collection of all the stray pennies in his pockets.

"Good morning," he said, as the child appeared at the door. She smiled, but said nothing.

"Very good," he said. "Like your smile better than the society girl's; but, really, you should cultivate your talent for elocution. Say good morning, now, just as I do. Yes, that's right. Now, here are some pennies, but whatever one of them. Put them in your pocket. And here are some raisins and cakes. These are for yourself; the pennies, I presume, will be taken away from you by the old woman who stole you from your wealthy parents, and sends you to beg."

"Old Betty's gone to jail," said the child, watching Mr. Sidney's face, as if it had some great satisfaction for her.

"Excellent," said Mr. Sidney. This is coming out finely. For a commonplace man like me to find he's living in a story book is simply charming. There's always a stolen child and an old woman who gets to fighting and you shall have a say this one was sent to jail? Well, that's a pleasing variety. The next thing is that the child is adopted by some wealthy young man who finally marries her. Really, in all the interests of literature, you ought to find some one to adopt you, and finish out the story. It is extremely interesting."

The child still looked at him, regardless of her cakes, and he said:

"Eat your cake, I beg you, while I consider an important question. That story ought to be finished, and I've half a mind to do myself. I'm not at so venerable an age. I have money enough. Yes, I think I'll do it. I can fill the bill nicely, and besides it ought to be done in the interest of literature. I shan't marry you, though, and you needn't expect that; but I'll give you to the housekeeper, and she'll teach you what she knows, and send you to school, and you shall have a chance to make something of yourself. It won't hurt me to do a little good once in a quarter of a century, especially if Mrs. Jones has all the trouble of it. But I forgot—have you any objection to Woodside as a place of residence? In other words, should you like to come here to live?"

The child looked at him to see if he was in earnest, and said:

"Shall I have to go for rum?"

"Well, no, my friend," he answered; "I hardly think you will. If I should want anything in that line, I have a man

here in the house whose business it is to supply it; but I may mention confidentially to you that I never drink it. By the way, may I ask your name?"

"They call me Egg Marcan," she said. "Egg, Egg," said Mr. Sidney. "I suppose that means Eglantine. Would you have the kindness to have 'Eglantine Marcan' engraved on your visiting cards?"

"In this absurd way was Eglantine Marcan introduced into her new home, for this whimsical man was really in earnest. At the bottom of his freaks there was usually a solid ground-work of kind-heartedness. He had noticed great bruises on the child's arm, which spoke of cruel treatment. He had heard of 'Old Betty' before, and was very sure that she would not care to interfere with him. He had plenty of money and no relatives, and in a great house full of servants one small child would hardly be noticed, so he sent for the housekeeper and told her to have the child made comfortable, to bring her up to wait on herself, and to see that she went to school at least half of the time. He visited old Betty in the jail, and found that the child was the daughter of a French couple who had come to America in the time of the cholera, and had been among the first victims; that old Betty had taken the child and had in her fashion been kind to her whenever she happened to be sober.

Having done this, he went back to his books and his pictures, and when he was tired of these he traveled in the West; and when he was tired of that he went to Europe; and when he came home he had forgotten all about the child, till the housekeeper came to him with a handful of papers.

"Excuse me, sir," she said, "but these are yours. 'Do you remember Tina?'"

"I think I do," he said, "but I never heard of Tina in all my life," he replied.

"Don't you remember the child whom you gave me to bring up as a waiting maid?"

"Oh, yes; I remember her. Some queer name—what was it? Egg? I know—I made her call it Eglantine. But what of it? Has she turned artist? for he saw that the papers were sketches."

"My son is a designer," she said, "and he says that she has talent. Will you please to look at these?"

Mr. Sidney looked at them, and as he looked, he said:

"I declare, it's coming out finely, Mrs. Jones."

"Beg your pardon, sir," said the housekeeper.

"Why, don't you see? There's a poor child. A rich young man takes a fancy to her, and sends her to school. She proves to be an artist of vast talent. Rich man, grown old and decrepit, loses his money and she supports him; or else he dies and leaves her his estate, or else she falls in love with her and marries her. There are three ways of finishing the story, all in accordance with the newspaper tales, and I suppose it will have to be one of them. People who won't write stories have to live them. The thing balances somehow. Send up Mrs. Eglantine, please. I'd like to have a look at her before the next scene opens."

Mrs. Jones disappeared. In a few minutes there was a knock at the door, and a tall, thin girl of thirteen appeared, dressed in a greenish calico, that hung in straight lines, and whose color gave to her brown complexion an ugly raw cast. Her hair was drawn tightly back in a prim coil.

"How do you do?" said Mr. Sidney, and added, half to himself: "I declare, it's no wonder they left off Eglantine and called her Tina."

She had no idea that the child would understand his words, but a deep flush spread over her face, and she put her hands quickly in front of her green dress, as if to hide as much of it as possible. Mr. Sidney's kind heart was touched.

"Ah, child," he said, "never mind the dress. I see that you have done something better than cover it up. Mrs. Jones tells me that you drew these sketches. Is that so?"

"Yes, sir," said the child, looking down at the carpet.

"Do you like to draw?"

"Yes, sir," she said again, as shyly as before.

"How would you like to have some lessons in drawing and painting?"

This time she looked up into his face with the same blaze of delight that he remembered in the little beggar girl.

"My father is so good to me," she said, while her fingers twined themselves together, and the tears came into her eyes.

"Not at all," said Mr. Sidney kindly. "You know I told you I would give you a chance to learn how to earn your own living, and if you can make it by painting, I'll see that you have no lack of money. Now run off and tell Mrs. Jones to get you a dress that has got some red in it somewhere, and let you have a little of your hair for curls and frizzles like the rest of the girls."

Mr. Sidney seemed to value his home child as a place to have his library, and he left it a few days later for an extended tour in the East; but before he had been away six months a telegram called him home, for several of his investments were in a dangerous condition.

He had hardly been in his library an hour before Mrs. Jones appeared, with red eyes, and a large envelope closely sealed and addressed to him.

"I found this in Tina's room," she said, "and no one has seen her since morning."

Mr. Sidney tore open the envelope. There was a little pencil sketch of the scene in the postoffice four years ago when he gave the bright pennies to the beggar child, and with it was a note that read:

"I heard John say perhaps you might lose your money. You have been so good to me."

No name was signed. "Mrs. Jones," said he, "this is a new development not laid down in the story books. The young lady really ought not to run away; it confuses things so. Poor child! Read this note, Mrs. Jones; who are her friends?"

"She has always kept by herself, sir; and I really don't know that she has any, except her drawing teacher's family."

"That's it," said Mr. Sidney, and he hastily wrote a note. "Send John with this," he said, "and I think the young lady will be found in an hour or two."

Mr. Sidney was right, and it was not long before a repentant little girl was brought to him.

"Well, young lady," he said, "do you think this a polite way to meet me, after I have been away six months? to run off, without coming to shake hands? There was no answer but a burst of sobs.

"Why did you run away?"

"Because," she sobbed, "John said you might lose all your money."

"Was that the only reason? Was any one unkind to you?"

"Yes, sir, that was all; and everybody is good to me," she said in a voice choked with tears.

"Then let me tell you, my little girl, that only a very small part of my property is in danger, and that if I should lose it all, don't you know that the proper story-book ending is that you should support me with the brush—I think that's the way they put it, and not run away and leave me to die in poverty, for your drawing teacher says that you have talent enough to do some good work by and by. Mrs. Jones says you have few friends, and I think three or four years in a good boarding-school will be the proper thing. It's quite according to the story-books, too," he said to himself.

"Only," he added aloud, for his love of teasing overcame him, "would you mind remembering that you won't run away before I come back? for I am going away to be gone three or four years."

"Yes, sir," said the girl, "I will promise. I will do anything that you want me to."

Mr. Sidney went to Europe and wandered about for some years; then as a party of friends were planning an extended tour in Asia, and as there seemed no special reason why he should return to America, he went with them, and it was four years from the time of his departure before he came again to his own home.

Everything seemed just as he had left it, and he inquired for Tina, half expecting to see the slim, brown girl in the ugly green calico.

"She's been at the school where you left her," said Mrs. Jones.

"Has she ever had another green calico?" asked Mr. Sidney.

"I don't know, sir," said Mrs. Jones, with a shade of injury in her voice. "I was fond of her and made my own dresses over for her, but you left her in the care of the principal of the school, and she's bought her dresses. She graduates to-morrow."

"Indeed?" said Mr. Sidney. "Then I must go and see her do it. Tell the gardener to make me up my finest basket of flowers."

The next day Mr. Sidney made his way into the crowded hall, and sat there through two hours of the usual school-girl essays. He could not find Tina among the graduates on the platform, and he was beginning to wonder if any illness had prevented her being present, when her name was called.

But where was the little girl in the green calico? For a young lady, in a white dress with deep red carnations, stepped quietly forward. Could this be Tina? The thin, brown cheeks had rounded and were glowing with a richer color. The prim coil of dark hair had become a loose curl, while the waves half hid and half reveal the outline of her forehead. Her clear, low-toned voice filled the hall as no other had done. Her subject was "Art and its Friends," and her whole heart was in what she had written. There were several allusions to one who knew the story of her life were full of pathos. The shape of some little child of poverty to whom the brightness of a new penny was a great happiness. Her voice trembled as she praised the whole-hearted goodness of a man of wealth who would give that child a chance to find out the best that was in her.

Mr. Sidney listened with utter amazement. Was this self-possessed young lady Tina? But soon as the exercises were over he went in search of her. "I am so glad," was all her greeting, but the eyes and the little curl of her lips gave her a welcome that he never forgot.

Mr. Sidney was so dazed a frame of mind that his usual coolness entirely deserted him, and when he went away he hardly knew what he said to her. The one that was clearest in his mind was that when he had said that the carriage was ready for her, she had told him that she was to stay with Madam Richard and teach painting to her pupils. When he thought it over he saw that she was right, but to him with his love of freedom it seemed a hard thing for the brilliant girl to be tied down to the regular hours of school, and to be worried with dull scholars who took lessons in painting, not because they liked it, but because their fathers could afford it, and when next he saw her he urged her to let him give her a studio where she could at least paint when she was alone. She hesitated, and he really liked her better for her independence, when she said:

"The little child was helpless, but her kind friend gave her power to support herself, and ought she not to use it?"

"Is it fair for her to make her friends unhappy?" he had asked, half teasingly and half earnestly, and she had said with earnestness:

"I owe to you everything that I am; and if I could serve you by cutting off my right hand, I would do it."

"Don't do that," he said, laughing, "for when I am an old man, and have lost all my money, you will be painting some pictures so as to send me checks and keep me out of the poor-house. That's the way the story ends."

But that evening, as he sat alone in his library, the thought came to him that the story had sometimes another ending.

The color dropped from his lips, for there were sometimes very real things reaching their own hearts, but his love for her was clear to him now. It was part of himself, for he seized him with a fierceness that would have no control. Half the night he walked up and down the library, recalling every look and word of her, and wondering how she had grown so much in the last three years. She was seventeen, he was thirty-three. Would she give the freshness of her youth to him? If she would, then the four walls of her home would be wide enough for the man who had thought the whole world too narrow for his roamings.

The next morning he went to her. He was not the man to arrange speeches, and I doubt if they would have helped him if he had done so, for he was too much in earnest to remember any but the simplest words, and he said as bluntly as one of his workmen could have said:

"Eglantine, I love you with all my heart and strength. Will you marry me?" and Eglantine answered "Yes," as shyly as the little brown-faced girl in the green calico could have done; and then they had a long, happy talk, for Madam Richard, who had guessed how matters were going, took care that no one should come to disturb them.

As Mr. Sidney rose to go, he said:

"You ran away from me once. Will you promise never to do so again?" and she said, with a happy smile, "I don't want to marry you just to finish out the story?"—[Eva March Tappan in the Home.

—Once in a while those severe Bostonians will make a joke that has a decidedly wild Western flavor about it. The other day two gentlemen were discussing the recent appointment of Mr. George W. Cable as Bible instructor in Newton. "It is strange," said one, "that a novelist should be invited to point out the road to righteousness." "Not so strange nowadays," replied the other, "Cable roads are becoming very common." [N. Y. Tribune.

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PROF. BAILEY'S COSMOSPHERE, FOR ILLUSTRATING PHENOMENAL ASTRONOMY.

The first lecture in the Read Fund course for this season was given at Armory Hall, Wednesday evening, Nov. 23d, before a large and interested audience. Prof. F. H. Bailey of Boston was the lecturer and the abstract scientific facts were enlivened by frequent "poetical and mythological quotations and references, which added much to its popular interest.

Prof. Bailey began by saying that he would present a few facts of primary phenomenal astronomy and illustrate them with the cosmospere, and then some of a more advanced nature that the instrument would equally well illustrate. Two instruments were used, one being six feet in diameter, which is the only large one yet made, and the school size, which is thirty inches in diameter. The cosmospere is a transparent globe representing the celestial sphere. On its surface are representations of the constellations, the positions of stars being indicated by holes in the figures. A circular plane is suspended in the centre of the globe in such a manner as to maintain a permanent horizontal position; the margin of the plane represents the observer's horizon, and has indicated upon it the points of the compass. The instrument was correctly adjusted for Newton by placing it so that the axis was parallel with that of the earth. The points of the compass on the margin of the plane then corresponded with those of the horizon. It was set for the correct time by means of a twenty-four hour time dial which surrounds the north pole. The audience was asked to imagine itself in the centre of the horizontal plane and to look from that position and see the stars in their correct position, a thing easy to do with a transparent globe, and as the globe revolved to see illustrated the daily movement of the heavens as seen from Newton. Varying positions of constellations relative to the horizon in rising and setting were pointed out; the Twins were seen to rise in the northeast, lying down parallel with the horizon, but to set in the northwest, standing erect, an astronomical paradox. The axis of the globe was next brought into the plane of the horizon and the movements of the heavens shown, as seen by an observer on the earth's equator, every star in the heavens rising and setting at right angles with the horizon and being half the time above the horizon and half below.

The spectators were then asked to imagine that they were traveling over the earth from equator to north pole, and to see the variation in the daily motion caused thereby. Thus, while the globe was revolving from east to west it was also revolving through one-fourth of a revolution from north to south around an invisible axis, the poles of which occupied the east and west points of the horizon, the central plane remaining constantly horizontal. Thus, the stars, which were revolving from east to west, also revolved through one-fourth of a revolution from north to south, and setting as the latitude increases, and those moving nearer and nearer parallel with the horizon until at the north pole the stars are seen to move from left to right parallel with the horizon, and not a star ever rising or setting. The latter remark applying to the fixed stars, the seven wandering stars—"great gods" of the astrologers—would then be seen to rise and set, the sun once a month, the moon once a month, and the other five in varying lengths of time.

Next, the instrument was set again for Newton and the movement of sun and moon illustrated, as here seen. On the sun's yearly path is marked his position for each day, hence the place and time of his rising and setting and his movement through the heavens for each day are clearly shown. Some of the most puzzling moon phenomena were reproduced and explained with perfect clearness; the reason why the moon sometimes runs high and sometimes low; why the highest full moon is always the one that occurs nearest Dec. 21, the lowest the one that occurs nearest June 21; why the new moon's horns are pointed upwards "to hold water," in the spring, and so tipped as "to spill water" in the autumn; why the harvest moon when full rises, at this latitude, only half an hour later for several successive nights, but when new at an hour and a quarter later.

One of the most interesting and instructive illustrations is that of the varying phenomena of day and night for the different zones. The professor claims that his experience with schools of all grades has convinced him that the few pupils of any grade obtain, from the theoretical method in which the subject is taught, anything like clear conceptions of the difference in day and night in the different zones. He has even met teachers of astronomy who have maintained and taught for years such errors as that the sun would be seen, to a spectator on the equator, to rise exactly in the east and set in the west throughout the entire year. With the instrument set for the equator, days and nights were seen to have a uniform length, but the sun to rise in the east and set in the west more frequently than when seen from Newton. At the City of Mexico the longest day (June 21) is one hour longer, and the shortest day (Dec. 21) one hour shorter than at Quito. At New Orleans June 21 is fourteen hours day and ten hours night and Dec. 21 ten hours day and fourteen hours night. At Philadelphia the first is fifteen hours day and nine hours night, and the second the reverse. At St. Petersburg, on June 21 there are nineteen hours between sunrise and sunset, and on Dec. 21 but five hours.

As the cosmospere has a time-dial attachment, it not only illustrates the fact of the varying length of day and night throughout the year for every place on earth not exactly on the equator or at a pole, shows the exact point on the horizon where the sun rises each day, the exact angle of his path, his apparent movement through the heavens and the point where he sets, but by means of the dial the time of his rising, setting and setting, either in sun or moon time. Thus the instrument becomes a perpetual almanac, good for all latitudes, giving the time of sun rising and setting very accurately.

very little more than one-fourth of the horizon. The same parts are used in reverse order during the next six months. The amount of the horizon used by the sun for rising and setting purposes increases from about one-fourth at the equator to three-eighths at Boston, five-eighths at St. Petersburg, and all of it at the arctic circle. All of it is used every alternate three months at Point Barrow, Alaska, and all of it is in one month at Fort Conger, followed by five months in which the sun does not rise or set.

The illustration of the phenomenal movements of the planets were only hinted at, for want of time. The lecturer next took up the subject of the "Precession of the Equinoxes," and showed the changing position of the heavens as seen from Newton during the entire precessional period of nearly twenty-six thousand years. By setting the instrument for the latitude of the Great Pyramid, some of the statements of the "mystic in stone" school of pyramidologists can be verified and others proved false, and the fallacy of the fundamental argument of their theory exposed. Lastly, the movements of the equinoctial points and changing position of the signs relative to the constellations were illustrated and explained.

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## THE DECEMBER CENTURY.

"The Dusanets," Mr. Stockton's full and explicit sequel to "The Casting Away of Mrs. Lecks and Mrs. Aleschine," will begin in the forthcoming December Century. In the new story there is another "Casting Away," but this time it is on land, and the very opposite of the former catastrophe. Prof. Shields of Princeton will have in the December Century another article on "Church Union," in which he will review all the recent Century "Open Letters" on Christian unity, and further explain his proposition with relation to "The United Churches of the United States."

Mr. Cable shows versatility in the creation of a new humorous and original character, not at all southern in origin or traits—namely, Tarbox, the book agent, who figures as one of the leading persons in "An Large," now appearing in the Century. A French artist, M. Jeannot, has been called in to illustrate Mr. Brander Matthews' "Notes on Parisian Newspapers," which will appear in the December Century. In this article original portraits will be given of Albert Wolff, Rochefort, Clemenceau, Claretie and Sarcey.

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—Mr. A. Leonard has been very ill with pneumonia.

—Mr. Frank Edmonds is confined to his house by a severe illness.

—Mr. Leonard of Paul street, who has been dangerously ill with pneumonia, is convalescing.

—Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Colby of Worcester, are the guests of Mrs. Dr. Bates, for a few days.

—Mr. and Mrs. Stanton D. Loring sailed from Liverpool yesterday, Dec. 1, on the Cephalonia.

—The Stebbins' Social Aid Society met at Mrs. James Gamman's, Beacon street, on Wednesday afternoon.

—Miss Bessie Rice and Miss Florence Paul have been at home from Smith College during the last week.

—With the first day of winter the thermometer at Knapp's store indicated one degree above zero at 7 a. m.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Sanborn of Chase street returned the first of the week from New York, where they spent Thanksgiving.

—The invitations are out for the wedding of Mr. John A. Daniels, to take place in Portland, Maine, on the 7th of December.

—Congressman Geo. W. E. Dorsey and wife, of Nebraska, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Davis, for the past week.

—The firemen's relief entertainment comes off next Wednesday at City Hall. Tickets can be obtained of the members of the fire department.

—"Consider the Lilies" was most charmingly rendered by Mrs. Lewis Speare and Miss Speare at the M. E. church, last Sunday forenoon.

—Nothing final has been decided in regard to the remaining brick arches of the new Baptist church, but the brick work surrounding the arches has been lightened.

—Mr. Haskell and family from Gloucester, have moved into the new large house, which is just completed, standing at the corner of Beacon and Crescent streets.

—The pleasant store on Beacon street, known as Keene's ice cream rooms, is to be filled at once by Mr. Henry S. Williams, with goods for Christmas and New Year. Home trade and low prices. See advertisement in the GRAPHIC next week.

—Mr. Herbert Gould, son of Prof. Gould, has been visiting his friends here this week. Prof. Gould will be remembered as an able instructor for many years in our Theological Seminary. He is now settled over a parish in Burlington, Vt.

—At the Congregational church on Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Capron, for thirty years a missionary in India, gave some account of her wonderful work among heathen women. At the close of the meeting a short time was spent in social greetings.

—Next week on Wednesday evening, the Baptist church and society will tender a reception to their pastor, Rev. Mr. Barnes, in Associates' Hall. Mr. Barnes is expected to arrive next Saturday and will be the guest of Deacon Chester, until arrangements for house-keeping have been made.

—A large audience gathered on Sunday evening in the Unitarian church, to hear Dr. Andrew P. Peabody of Cambridge. His sermon was in relation to the Anderson controversy, and was very much to the point. He took for his text "Enter ye in at the straight gate," from Luke 13.

—Mrs. James Kinley was agreeably surprised Tuesday afternoon, by calls from a large number of friends, each of whom brought a can of fruit or some preserves. Mrs. Kinley was ill during the coming season, and this surprise was intended to show the participants' appreciation of Mrs. Kinley and her work for the children of foreign missionaries.

—The Gilbert Haven C. L. S. C. met the fourth Monday in November. The program for Dec. 12 is as follows: History of America, from chapter sixteen to chapter nineteen; American Literature, from page eighty-six to page one hundred and forty-five; Sketch of Milton's home life; Cerebral palace from Hawthorne; Notes on current events; Roll call to be answered with quotations from Milton.

—Thirty of the students at the Newton Theological Seminary have organized themselves into an evangelistic brotherhood to hold meetings such evenings as their studies will permit. Many of them have had much success in this line of work. The entire brotherhood held meetings Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening of this week at the Baptist Tabernacle, Bowdoin square, Boston.

—The Ladies' Union, of which Mrs. Robert B. Bishop is President and Mrs. Charles Grout, Vice President, met this afternoon, Dec. 2, at the house of Mrs. Elisha Bassett, Parker street. The lecturer was Mrs. E. H. Cobb of Boston, who took for her subject "Self control in relation to the health." This union was formed at the time of the Grand Army Fair, held in Newton last winter, and its members are the ladies from Newton Centre who took an active part in making it the success it was.

—The "Young Volunteers" will hold a parlor sale of fancy articles at the house of Mrs. Thomas Nickerson, on Centre street, from 3 to 10 o'clock p. m. on Saturday. Busy heads and hands have been at work the past few months preparing these things for the fair, and these little helpers deserve a liberal purchase of the work. The money raised by this society goes for mission work under the direction of the American Baptist Woman Home Mission Society. We trust the friends of the Young Volunteers will be present in large numbers to encourage them in their work and to make this effort a grand success.

**NEWTON HIGHLANDS.**

—Mrs. M. G. Crane is visiting in Ithaca, N. Y.

—The Chataqua Club met this week with Mrs. L. A. Ross.

—Rev. B. S. Whitman will occupy the pulpit at the Congregational church next Sunday.

—Miss Gertrude Nelson will leave next Tuesday for a two months' sojourn with her mother at Danville, N. Y.

—Mr. R. Greenidge and family of

Floral avenue, have gone to Brooklyn, N. Y., to remain a few weeks.

—Mr. D. S. Farnham has commenced the cellar for another house at the junction of Centre and Boylston streets.

—Mr. A. J. Lowe with his family have removed to Ashland. He will be employed by the Adams Express Company.

—All should aid the firemen's relief fund by buying tickets for the entertainment at City Hall, next Wednesday evening.

—At the meeting of the Odd Fellows on Thursday evening, at Odd Fellows' Hall, the second degree was conferred on two candidates.

—Mr. R. S. Merrill returned from Philadelphia to be with his family on Thanksgiving day. His son, Mr. W. C. Merrill from Baltimore, is also at the family home.

—Mr. A. D. Locke has so far recovered from his recent illness that he will start on Saturday for a trip to Old Point Comfort, remaining a few weeks until able to resume business.

—The "Architecture of Cathedrals" was the subject at the meeting of the Monday Club, which met with Mrs. E. H. Greenwood. The next meeting will be with Mrs. T. C. Lowe.

—The necessary excavations preparatory to the erection of the railroad at Eliot are now being made. Water pipes are to be put into the extension of Lincoln street to the station.

—An effort is being made by both the Episcopal and Congregational societies to increase the collections in order that they may be able to cover the liabilities of the present year. It is very desirable that the effort may be successful.

—This cold snap may make trouble with your water pipes, if so call on Robert Blair, the plumber, who has lately located in Mechanic's block on Centre street, and he will personally attend to the repairs.

—At the Episcopal chapel on Friday evening last there was a choral service, and an address by Rev. Edward Abbott. After the service a gift was presented to the choir master, Mr. F. A. Skelton, as an appreciation of his services for the past year.

—Mr. Walter Newell has vacated the tenement occupied by him for the past two or three years, and stored his furniture. He will board in Boston this winter, intending to return to the Highlands in the spring, if a suitable tenement can be obtained.

**NEWTON UPPER FALLS.**

—Mr. Otis W. Everett and wife of Worcester, were in the place this week.

—There was a union service at the Methodist church on Thanksgiving day.

—The frame of Mrs. Dresser's new house on Chestnut street was raised this week.

—Rev. Mr. Peterson occupied the pulpit of the Baptist church on Sunday last, on an exchange with Rev. B. L. Whitman.

—Robert Howard of Fall River, the noted labor agitator, spoke before the Knights of Labor at their meeting on Wednesday evening.

—An addition to the business of our village is a photograph saloon, located in Post Office square, arriving from Needham on Tuesday of this week.

—It seems a pity that Winter street must be left in its present condition during the winter. At present it is none too safe, and with the advent of icy walks, it will become absolutely dangerous.

—There is to be a Temperance Memorial service at the Methodist church next Sunday evening, under the auspices of the Good Templars, to be in honor of the late John B. Finch, the great temperance worker. Good speakers will be present.

—There is considerable complaint among the passengers of the N. Y. & N. E. R. R. from the fact that there is no fire in the cars. To ride for 30 or 40 minutes in a cold car is an occupation that will by no means be conducive to good health, and some remedy should be devised by those having the control of affairs, as it is an imposition upon the traveling public to have this state of things continue.

—The caucus on Saturday evening was well attended, and everything passed off with comparatively little friction. At times it partook more of the nature of a burlesque than that of a solid business transaction. It resulted in the nomination of two new men for the council, Mr. E. J. Hyde of Newton Highlands and Mr. F. J. Hale of Newton Upper Falls. They are both young men, born and brought up among the citizens, who have thus honored them by nomination, and they will no doubt discharge the duties about to be assumed with faithfulness and efficiency.

**The Concert at Eliot Hall.**

—The "Concert and Readings," under the direction of Mr. Carlyle Petersilea, given in Eliot Hall in aid of the building fund of Grace church, was attended by a large and appreciative audience, despite the inclemency of the weather, and was a decided success. The Scandinavian Quartet made a pleasant impression, and rendered Ahlströme's Slumra especially well. The light costumes produced a very pleasing effect, being simple and quaint. There is always something disappointing in a quartet of female voices, we are so apt to compare them to the well-known male quartets, very much to the disparagement of the former. Mrs. Petersilea, always a favorite with a Newton audience, was at her best, and in her first number had the assistance of Miss Howard, who showed great proficiency and true artistic feeling.

—Mr. Jones read with great acceptance, and was thoroughly appreciated. In "The Famine," from Hiawatha, he displayed his great dramatic ability, his facial expression being wonderful, every gesture true and graceful, yet nothing overdone or exaggerated. In fact, it was the best bit of reading it has been our good fortune to hear in a very long time, if we except Mr. Jones's reading of the Scripture lessons at Grace church a few Sundays since.

—Mr. Milo Benedict played, as he always does, with the greatest taste and feeling, and Mr. Petersilea gave Chopin's Larghetto in E minor very finely. Indeed, it seems almost an impertinence for us to attempt any criticism of either, so we will merely say, we like the rest of the audience, enjoyed and admired. Mr. Petersilea has striven, ever since he came among us, to give to the citizens of Newton, opportunities of hearing the very best classical music artistically interpreted, for which he deserves the greatest credit and a tangible appreciation.

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**THE REFORM CONVENTION.**

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tion, when voters gathered to nominate members of the school committee from his section of the city, they expected to hear the names of Mr. Isaac Hagar presented. He had served faithfully for many years, but age was beginning to tell upon him, and he says that he does not wish a re-nomination. Although he withdraws from the board he does not withdraw from the hearts of the citizens. Mr. Atherton then nominated Dr. David E. Barke. Both men were nominated.

**WARD SEVEN INSULTED.**

Mr. I. T. Burr said that he had been instructed by the caucus of his ward to present the name of Rev. Francis B. Hornbroke, as their unanimous choice. Hon. Levi C. Wade, who sat on the same settee with Messrs. Frost and Putney of the school board, said that he had a disagreeable duty to perform. It was not pleasant for a citizen of another ward to nominate for the school committee of a ward not his own, a man who had been rejected at such a large caucus of that ward, but the crisis called for the re-nomination of the present incumbent, Mr. A. S. Weed.

Hon. Thomas Weston, Jr., said that both gentlemen were friends of his and he recognized the ability and fidelity of Mr. Weed, but the largest caucus ever held in Ward 7, had voted unanimously in favor of Rev. Mr. Hornbroke, and some regard should be shown to the wishes of the caucus.

Mr. Henry E. Cobb said that after the action of Ward 3, the convention would hardly do itself credit if it left off the name of Mr. Weed, who was a useful and able man. He hoped the convention would vote to support the members of the school board in a timely discharge of their duty and refuse to engage in any quarrel against them. A great principle was at stake—and the school children and others must be taught to respect authority, both in the persons of their teachers and in the school board. Great applause from the school board delegates.

The ballot was then taken and the convention voted 30 to 18 to nominate Mr. Weed. Such a high-handed overruling of the wishes of a caucus was never before known in Newton, but it only shows how skillfully the campaign has been worked up.

**JOHN S. FARLOW FOR MAYOR.**

Mr. E. B. Haskell then arose and said that it only remained to nominate a candidate for Mayor. He had noticed that whenever a certain name was mentioned it gave a feeling of confidence that his election would mean a return to the best state of things ever known in Newton. No man was more honored than Hon. John S. Farlow, and he moved that he be nominated as a candidate. This was done amid applause.

Coffin then moved that the convention adjourn to Friday evening at 7.30. This was objected to as that is prayer meeting night and many of the delegates did not wish to be kept away. On motion of Mr. Childs the date was changed to Saturday evening at the same hour. This was done to hear the decision of Mr. Farlow, as he was in New York, and would not return until Thursday.

Mr. Stover moved that a committee of one from each ward be appointed to bring in a series of resolutions or platform of what was desired of the next meeting. Chairman Garrison then appointed as the committee Messrs. J. W. Stover, H. E. Cobb, Chas. Robinson, Jr., E. B. Haskell, Levi C. Wade, C. C. Barton, and I. T. Burr.

Mr. Wade moved that one delegate from each ward and the officers of the convention be appointed as a committee to wait upon Mr. Farlow, inform him of his nomination and learn his decision. The committee appointed were Messrs. L. C. Wade, E. W. Converse, P. C. Bridgman, L. G. Pratt, E. L. Pickard, Alden Speare and J. C. Chaffin.

The meeting then adjourned until Saturday evening.

**NONANTUM.**

—Officer Davis is the happy recipient of a little daughter.

—Mr. Thomas Moore has been appointed D. G. W. C. T. of Charity lodge for the coming year.

—There is a great deal of speculation as to what the city is doing upon California street. Some people say they are going to introduce the electric car, so as to carry the people to work in bad weather. Others say they are building a narrow gauge road; while the sports declare that they are getting up a walking match for about the second week in December, and this is a track for that purpose. Old wiseracres says its no such thing, but that it is to give somebody a chance to fall in a ditch, so as to furnish the GRAPHIC some news, but there is an old resident with a long head, that says they are all wrong, and the city folks are doing just as they like. It is only an highway, and a byway, and people here only pay their share of the taxes, and they have no right to find fault, but take what they can get, half a loaf is better than none, and an apology for a sidewalk is better than mud, and that if it is still here in spring, he will open a museum and exhibit it to Newton people at 25 cents admission. The fun may be used to send the projectors to Europe.



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## THE PEOPLE'S VERDICT.

THE SCHOOL BOARD RECEIVE AN EMPHATIC REBUKE.

THE OLD MEMBERS BURIED BY THE VOTERS.

MAYOR KIMBALL GETS THERE AS A MATTER OF COURSE.

And So Do the Citizens' Candidates.

The city election was the most exciting one held for several years, so many questions entered into it, and such a large class of citizens were so deeply interested in the result. There were any number of tickets in the field, headed "Regular non-Partisan," "Independent non-Partisan," "Regular Citizens," "Independent Citizens," "People's," and a number of other headings, while there were pasters innumerable. Men who never before had visited the polling places were seen there all day, and the unwary voters were confused by the number and variety of the tickets forced upon him. If he had not a clear idea of the ticket he wished to vote, he had an excellent opportunity to obtain it after once entering the ward room. All the available seats were filled most of the day in the various ward rooms, occupied by conscientious voters struggling to select out the candidates for whom they wished to vote. No one felt compelled to vote the regular ticket, as there were no strict party tickets, and the consequence was that every voter became a Mugwump, and fixed up his ticket to suit himself.

The majority of the school board made a gallant fight against public sentiment; and their workers stuck to their posts amid great discouragement. Those who favored new men were also on hand, but they either were gifted with more persuasion, or found better subjects on which to work, for their efforts were much more successful. The action of the Reform convention in regard to Ward Seven had aroused such feeling that men all over the city, who had never before voted for Mayor Kimball, voted the straight Citizens' ticket this year, and the fact that the Republicans had made no regular nominations, released a large number of Mayor Kimball's friends, who had never been able to vote the Citizens' ticket in former years.

The manner in which the Reform convention had snubbed the ladies interested in school affairs, caused them to vote solidly for the citizens' candidates, that convention having showed them more consideration. For alderman there was only one real contest, that between Mr. Nickerson and Mr. Dix in Ward Three. In Ward One Mr. H. J. Woods was nominated in opposition to Mr. Childs, but he declined in a letter to the Boston Herald, refusing to serve if elected, and advising all his friends to vote for Mr. Childs. In Ward Six Mr. Ellis also withdrew and refused to allow his name to be used. Mr. Nickerson was elected, as many thought he had not been fairly used by the Reform convention, and his name was also on the victorious ticket.

There was a contest in every ward but Ward Four over the nominations for the common council. In Ward One E. J. Burke, the Citizens' candidate, was defeated, and in Ward Seven E. S. Hamblen was elected. In Ward Two, the Citizens' candidate, E. T. Wadsworth, defeated E. W. Bailey, the non-partisan candidate, and in Ward Three A. J. Fiske, the nominee of both conventions, was defeated by H. H. Hunt, who ran on an independent ticket. The mayoralty question was probably the cause of Mr. Fiske's defeat, and he will be a distinct loss to the council. In Ward Five, E. H. Greenwood defeated E. J. Hyde by 10 votes, the latter being the candidate.

The following table gives the result in detail:

Wards	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Totals
Ward 1	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
Ward 2	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 3	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
Ward 4	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 5	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
Ward 6	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 7	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
Ward 8	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 9	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
Ward 10	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 11	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
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Ward 46	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 47	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
Ward 48	43	66	60	34	23	16	22	258
Ward 49	185	295	245	260	232	263	160	1540
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## NEWTON.

—The Weber quartet will sing at the Watertown Town Hall this evening. Admission 25 cents.

—The Congregationalist Manual for 1888 is out and contains much useful and practical information.

—Theatre parties to attend the "Longwood Minstrels" are being formed, and one party numbers fifty Newton people.

—Councilman-elect E. S. Hamblen was given a reception by his friends Wednesday evening, at which a large number were present.

—Rev. R. R. Buckley of Concord, Mass., will preach at Channing church Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Hornbrooke will preach in the morning.

—The Newton club house at Newtonville is now ready for occupancy, and arrangements are being made for opening it, which will be done in a very few days.

—Dr. J. F. Friable has accepted an invitation from the Old and New Club of Malden, to visit them next Tuesday evening and tell them about Earthquakes.

—Rev. Mr. Nichols will preach next Sunday morning at the Methodist church on "Spiritual Agriculture." Rev. Mr. Jenny, missionary to South India, will preach in the evening.

—The Girls' Friendly Society of Grace church are enjoying the benefit of a course of lessons in cooking. The lessons are given by Miss M. Daniell in the parish house, and are of great profit.

—There was a good attendance at the Baptist social yesterday evening, an auction sale of the articles unsold at the fair added interest to the occasion, and about ten dollars to the proceeds of the sale.

—The Rev. John F. Nichols, minister in charge of Emmanuel church, Boston, is to preach the third sermon in the special course of Advent sermons in Grace church, Sunday night. The seats are free to all.

—Physicians report that dysentery is more prevalent at present than during the summer months just past. The only explanation apparent is the sudden changes in the weather, which have been so frequent and severe of late.

—In Ward 7 Mr. Weed received 22 votes to 233 for Rev. Mr. Hornbrooke; and in Ward 1, 48 to 245. There was no mistaking the sentiment of this section of the city, nor of its disapproval of the manner in which Ward 7 was treated in the Reform convention.

—One of the leading temperance men of Newton created great surprise by voting "Yes" on Tuesday. Of course it was a mistake, but the event created some amusement in one of the polling places. The great majority for No License in the city shows that the people are on the right side of this question.

—Mr. Bacon's new block is nearly ready for the roof, and Francis Murdock & Co. and G. P. Atkins, who are to occupy it, are looking eagerly forward to the time when they can move in. It will be practically a new building, and is a great addition to the business portion of the city.

—Mr. George Cable will give a reading from Dr. Sevier at Wellesley college, Monday evening, Dec. 12, at 7.30. The reading is for the benefit of the Students' Aid Society, an association for giving pecuniary help to needy students. Tickets may be had at Hubbard and Procter's drug store.

—The last half of the quarter in dancing at Miss Post's at Armory Hall, begins Dec. 24th. Those who are intending to join must apply to Mrs. G. O. North on Saturday a.m. at the hall or by letter to her address, Elmwood street, Newton, during the following week, as the space is very limited, and only a few can be admitted.

—The children of the Baptist church, under the name of the "Star Mission Band," held a little sale of useful and fancy articles, candy, ice cream and cake, Wednesday afternoon and evening. The church vestry was very prettily decorated, and the little folks were there in large numbers. The sale was a decided success, between thirty-five and forty dollars being taken during the evening.

—The Eliot Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor elected the following officers last Friday evening: Pres., Geo. Agry; Vice-Pres., Chas. Bacon; Sec., Tress, Chas. Kepner; Corresponding Sec., Miss Emily Emerson; chairman of committee—prayer meeting, Raymond Calkins; lookout, Dr. Hitchcock; music, Miss Allen; Miss Barton; G. Gordon; missionary, Miss Smallwood. The anniversary of the society will occur about Jan. 15.

—The Channing Literary Union entertainment in the church parlors on Thursday evening was much enjoyed by the large audience present. The committee consisting of Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. W. L. Lowell, Mrs. J. B. Hills and Miss Owen, had prepared an excellent program, which included selections from Browning, read by Mrs. Foreman of Lynn; several vocal selections by Miss Anderson of Cambridge and piano solos by Miss Andrews of Newton.

—The GRAPHIC's bulletin board, announcing the returns, Tuesday evening, was surrounded by a large crowd, and some of the figures were received with considerable enthusiasm. The Ward Two counters finished their work first, followed closely by Wards One, Seven, and Four. This indicated the result, so that the long delay in the other wards did not leave the people in suspense. The people of Wards One and Seven feel especially happy over the showing made by them on the school committee question.

—The annual sale of the Ladies' Missionary Aid Society of Grace church, occurred in the parish house on Thursday from two o'clock until ten. Mrs. Wheelock and Mrs. Springer presided over a table well laden with fancy goods; Miss Allen and Miss Barton were in charge of an apron table; St. Margaret's Chapter also had a fancy table, and "The Helping Hand" one for candy. A hot supper was served from six until 8 o'clock. The attendance was good and the occasion was both pleasant and profitable.

—The Hallett & Davis Piano Company are now at 179 Tremont street, in their new building which has been handsomely fitted up for them. They occupy the first and second floors, and elevators are provided so that patrons can go from one floor to another without trouble. They have an elegant stock of pianos,

which Mr. G. P. Guilford of this city will be glad to exhibit to Newton people. It is needless to say that the Hallett & Davis pianos are not excelled by those of any other make, and those who are thinking of purchasing should call upon Mr. Guilford.

—Messrs. F. G. Barnes & Son have this week sold at private sale the homestead of the late Job A. Turner, on Bellevue street, Mr. Ida, comprising elegant dwelling house with stable and 45,000 square feet of land, together with all the carpets and furniture now in said house, to Agnes A. Riley of Boston. The same firm have also negotiated the following leases: The new Queen Anne dwelling house of H. P. Ross on Sargent street, to Andrew B. Cobb of Newton; also the estate of Mrs. E. C. Rogers on Franklin street, to E. C. Huxley of Newton, and the estate of J. Willson on Washington street, Ward Seven, to R. A. Brackett of Newton.

—The recent consecration of Grace church makes it appropriate to refer to the success which has come to that parish. It has steadily pressed forward, until now it ranks among the foremost in this state. The encouragement it has given the establishment of other parishes in our city has made Newton one of the strongest centres of this body in New England; there being five self-supporting congregations in a population of 20,000. Grace church has also become widely known beyond Massachusetts by its efforts in mission work and in various other ways. The Altar Society and the Helping Hand have helped beautify many mission chapels. The Missionary Society and the Girls' Friendly Society have forwarded barrels and boxes to many missionaries. The publications edited by its rector, have reached a very large circulation, so that Newton is known in thousands of homes.

## NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

LECTURE ON BERMUDA BY MR. S. A. D. SHEPPARD.

Those who attended the regular meeting of this society on Wednesday evening, enjoyed a rare treat, and one they will not soon forget.

Mr. Sheppard spent three months on these islands last winter, and being of a scientific and investigating turn of mind he proved an indefatigable collector of information and specimens of natural history. He exhibited to the audience a large collection of beautiful shells, corals, corallines and interesting specimens found on the islands.

He commenced his lecture by describing the sea voyage from New York to Bermuda, first sight of the islands, the long detour around the coral reef to the narrow opening through which the steamer enters to reach the leading town, the ports and their armament, the inhabitants, including the 1500 red coats doing garrison duty, and the productions for export, which are principally onions and potatoes.

By the aid of a map he showed the different islands, the principal points of interest and the position of the coral reef. The Bermudas, while under the British crown, and intensely loyal, numbering only about 800 voters, have a royal governor and House of Parliament. The governor appoints ten men for the Upper House, and the people elect thirty-six to the Lower House, for a term of seven years. As these legislators have so little to do they limit the laws to three or four years so that they can have the labor or the fun of passing them over again, or new ones in their place.

Mr. Sheppard then described the plant life of the island and the animal life, the waters surrounding, and illustrated with the beautiful specimens spread out around him. He presented many interesting specimens to the audience and the society. Mr. Sheppard is an easy, interesting speaker, and describes everything in so clear a manner that his audience never tire, and only wish he would talk longer. Although his lecture was an hour and a half in length, when he closed the audience lingered half an hour longer to ask him questions, and enjoy looking over the fine collections he had brought to exhibit.



## MR. TROWBRIDGE'S EMMANUEL.

AN APPRECIATIVE CRITICISM FROM A HIGH AUTHORITY.

(American Art Journal.)

In the line of American music, this production, at the Tremont Temple, Nov. 16, was an important step. J. Eliot Trowbridge is a Newton man, and his work has had a smaller hearing there and in Framingham; but this was its first production on a large scale, with an orchestra of 23, a chorus of 200, S. B. Whitney at the organ, and Mrs. Humphrey-Allen, Miss Edmonds, George Parker and Clarence Hayes as the chief singers, assisted by an additional quartet in a few numbers.

While such works come from native pens, there is hope for art in America. If the report be correct, that a prominent director refused to consider its production, the outcome shows that this refusal was a misjudgment.

In the way of general excellences Emmanuel is tuneful and brief, covering only ninety minutes in execution, an average of one and a half minutes only to each of its sixty numbers. Like a true Yankee, Mr. Trowbridge lost no time in waits, even between his parts. Sometimes he failed to bring players and singers into full union, but that is always to be expected.

Part I is the Advent. A melodious Overture, slightly built, leads to a bass solo. In the outset, this gives color to the charge of some critics, that Trowbridge's recitatives might be mistaken for arias, from which they are not distinguished by the customary form of composition; but the composer rightly contends that he has a right to make the recitative suit his theme and purpose; and he further argues that the connecting cadenzas, where there are changes from key to key, though demanded in opera, are not demanded by the concentrated method of the oratorio.

Mr. Trowbridge also thinks it unfair to censure him as wanting in point, inasmuch as he did not undertake to write in the contrapuntal style, but only in what is known, in the science of Counterpoint, as *imitation* or *imitation*. By what right do his critics assume that he is ignorant of such deeper matters, simply because he has not shown his knowledge in Emmanuel?

No. 3 is a fugue chorus (with a weight of strings) on the words, "Thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda." Then comes the story of the Shepherds, a soprano cluster leading to the "Glory of God in the Highest," by the chorus, the quartet taking up the "Peace on Earth." No. 11 introduces Simeon, with delightfully soft treatment of "the parents brought in the child Jesus;" while the *Nunc Dimittis* is strangely assigned the chorus. In "A light to lighten the Gentiles" a climax is reached; and we have the first specimen of a fashion which the author, both here and afterwards, makes very effective, in the form of an anti-climax, a softened repetition of the first phrase of the number, in this case, a return to the words, "Now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace." More fine phrasing comes in the crescendo description, "and the child grew." Now we have a brief portrayal of Jesus' career and teaching, "Come unto me" (which returns to the opening phrase, in the manner just described) being a soprano solo, necessarily provokes comparison with Handel's great aria; but it is no copy, and, but for the memory which the text provokes, would stamp itself at once as a most worthy production, much stronger than the bass recitative "He that heareth my word," which follows, and leads to a formidable alto aria, "Blessed are they that do their trust in him," in which Miss Edmonds phrased beautifully the italicized words. There seems no special fitness in the introduction here of the words of the common Gloria (not found in Scripture), and the Choral ends the first part with a rather weak Amen.

Part II, Betrayal and Crucifixion, begins with a bass recitative, of much simple and direct beauty. A lovely unaccompanied female trio, "Peace I leave with you," is followed by a sweet orchestral symphony (interlude) of which we have two later specimens, not so striking. Very expressive is the alto recitative, "He knelt and prayed." No. 29 is an unaccompanied quartet, "Remove this cup from me," developing into a chorus of "Angels strengthening him."

The basso and organ bring the multitude to the arrest. A tutti leads to the prayer of Jesus, "Father, forgive them," sung by the chorus; and this is followed by a second orchestral interlude, thin and not very timely, but perhaps with a faint suggestion in it of the Roman march idea, which Gounod has made so prominent in his. Heretofore the Jesus words have been sung by the basso, but now (why this change?) the tenor takes up the Saviour's dying cry, "Why has thou forsaken me?"—not very strongly treated. In the death of Jesus a climactic opportunity is lost; but there is a delicate suggestion of pervasive silence, followed by another interlude, somewhat weak and untimely. Then comes in the basso, with the veil rent in twain; and this part fittingly ends with a crescendo chorus, in choral form: "Truly this was the Son of God."

Part III is the Resurrection and Ascension. Here a question arises as to the propriety of including in the same solo such phrases as "And he saith unto them," and "she saith unto them." Why not begin at once with "Be not afraid?" and "They have taken away my Lord," an aria finely phrased by Miss Edmonds, and ending also in the effective *da capo* style before mentioned. The dialogue between Mary, the Angel, and the risen Christ are treated with a simple sincerity which merits high praise. The wind instruments and chorus now take up, crescendo, the farewell, "I ascend to my Father." There is another crescendo at the benediction, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost," Jesus here speaking by the soprano voice, and then comes a fitting climax of a strong chorus, "Then opened he their understanding," that the Gospel should be preached among all nations. Not always are the words so strictly accurate in their Scriptural relations; for at an earlier point the resurrection angels are credited with a Hallelujah which the New Testament places not in the Gospel, but in the Apocalypse, where the angelic voices sing it before the throne of God, not at the tomb of Jesus.

Stupid people vacate a bunch of seats near the platform in the midst of the music. Fortunately this does not spoil, though it interrupts, the final chorus and double quartet, which has something Handelian in its structure, so well as it worked up. "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations,"—the Master's words being assigned to a multitude of voices.

The name and theme of Mr. Trowbridge's oratorio inevitably invite comparison with Handel's Messiah. Though alike in Biblical text, giving partly the same passages, there the likeness ends. As the composer says, in a private letter: "I did not attempt to write an oratorio to be placed in comparison with the great and immortal oratorios composed

by the masters. This would have been fool-hardy and presumptuous in the extreme. What I did attempt was, to write an oratorio, in strict form, whose music should not be too difficult for use by singers and societies of average ability all over the country, and at the same time maintain the dignity which the sacred character of the text required. If the music had been more difficult the plan would have been defeated. In the composition of the music I was very careful not to launch out, and whenever I found myself doing so would stop and begin again. How well I have succeeded in the plan must be left to others to decide."

For one, your correspondent thinks that Mr. Trowbridge has succeeded remarkably well. While far ahead of such cantata oratorios as Root and others have written, like Esther, for instance—Emmanuel does not reach a height that makes even old and long-trained societies almost giddy in the climbing. We agree with Trowbridge, that "there is need of such works."

If ever the public is to learn to like and sing Elijah and Engedi, it must be by hearing kindred works, within the length of their cable-tow.

A criticism might be that the numbers (as the old Scotchwoman said of the stories in the dictionary) are unshod; but this is far better than the involutions and evolutions which impede the movement of some great oratorios, till you wish the singer would fly up and have done with it.

Here and there, in this running and imperfect comment, are indicated the strictures which occurred to me in listening; but these do not affect judgment of the oratorio in general. In many points it is so impressive as to bow the head of the reverent mind. I wish the composer might take up St. Paul, not in the Mendelssohn way, but the narrative of Paul's trial before Agrippa and Festus, his appeal to Rome, his voyage thither, shipwreck, and final arrival, as the story is told in the last four Chapters of the Acts. J. H. W.

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### AN EXCITING EVENING AT WEST NEWTON.

Last Saturday evening there was a great deal of excitement and politics at West Newton. The Reform and Citizen's conventions drew out a large crowd, the majority of whom settled down in Nickerson's Hall.

The municipal Reform convention started off with the announcement that Mr. Farlow would not accept, although he appreciated the honor and confidence bestowed upon him.

Mr. J. W. Stover moved that the convention adjourn to the common council chamber for conference.

Mr. W. F. Lawrence moved that the members of the convention pledge themselves to support their nominee for mayor at the polls. The motion failed to pass by a large majority.

The convention then adjourned for the conference, which lasted about an hour and a half. On their return an informal ballot resulted in 50 votes being cast, and another was taken, when Mr. E. W. Wood received 33 votes, Mr. S. L. Powers 13 and Mr. C. C. Barton 2. A formal ballot showed the same result and the nomination of Mr. Wood was made unanimous.

Mr. Samuel Barnard was nominated to fill the vacancy caused by the declination of Mr. Fisher Ames, as a candidate for school committee.

The following letter was read by the chairman of the convention:

Gentlemen of the Convention—In relation to my position to the matter of candidature for the office of Mayor of this city, I beg leave to say that I am not a candidate, and do not desire re-election, a fact which I stated several weeks since to members of the ward and city committee. I have been honored to an unusual degree, having been three years a member of the common council, four years a member of the board of aldermen, and four years mayor of the city. I appreciate the honor conferred upon me, and extend to my fellow-citizens my hearty thanks for their suffrages.

J. WESLEY KIMBALL.

The platform prepared was adopted, and the convention adjourned.

### The Citizen's Convention.

Nickerson's Hall was crowded long before the convention was called to order by Mr. Wm. J. Follett. Mr. Geo. L. Bean was chosen chairman, and Mr. J. Edward Hills, secretary.

A committee of four from each ward was appointed to bring in a list of nominations, and the following were reported and nominated:

Aldermen—Ward 1, Henry J. Woods; Ward 2, N. Henry Chadwick; Ward 3, James H. Nickerson; Ward 4, Frederick Johnson; Ward 5, Geo. Pettie; Ward 6, Geo. H. Ellis; Ward 7, Warren P. Tyler. Common council—Ward 1, E. F. Burke; Herbert H. Powell; Ward 2, John A. Fenno; E. T. Wiswall; Ward 3, Andrew J. Fiske; Lawrence Wood; Ward 4, E. E. Moody; James H. Dilliver; Ward 5, F. G. Hale; E. H. Greenwood; Ward 6, Heman M. Burr; George F. Richardson; Ward 7, J. C. Kennedy; E. S. Hamblen. School committee—Ward 3, Thomas B. Fitz; Samuel Barnard; Ward 4, Dr. David E. Baker; Chas. E. Parker; Ward 7, Francis B. Hombray.

There was some discussion over the members of the school committee from Ward 3, Mr. W. H. Mague making an eloquent speech for Mr. Walton's re-nomination, but he was not supported. Mr. James P. Tolman was first chosen, but as it was announced that he had refused to allow the use of his name, Mr. Barnard was substituted.

The name of Mayor Kimball was presented for the position of mayor, in an excellent speech, and the same letter read at the other end of the hall, but it did not think it would make any difference to the meeting, and it did not. Mr. Kimball being nominated with the greatest enthusiasm.

### GRADE CROSSINGS.

CORPORATIONS SHOULD BE COMPELLED TO ABOLISH THEM.

The accident at Newton resulting in the loss of several lives, brings up afresh the question, "Can there not be a statute law enacted compelling every railroad corporation to go over or under every highway or rail crossing?" Since the opening of the Boston & Worcester railroad in 1833 there have been 75 deaths at the crossings. Nine of these crossings are to be found within the limits of the city of Newton, and all are dangerous. At one point in Newton, between the hour of 8 A. M. and 8.12 A. M. there are four trains of passenger cars, two being express, the latter steaming up to 40 miles the hour, and if behind time to 60 miles the hour. What are the guards at these crossings? Simply a slender spar without any support, over which or through which a team of frightened horses or a drove of cattle could go with impunity.

The crossings in the city of Newton are—first, the one at the foot of Brighton hill; second, the one crossing the great highway, between Watertown and Newton Centre; third, the famous Washington-street crossing, near the Jackson estate, where the record shows the loss of over 20 lives; fourth, the Harvard-street crossing in Ward 2; fifth, the Walnut-street crossing at the square in Newtonville; then the two at West Newton, and two more in Auburndale.

The very best of men are employed to guard these crossings, but they are mortal and fallible. One can imagine, but hardly describe what a fearful loss of life there would be if any one of these crossings if a heavy team should be staked on the track and an express train rushing along at a speed of 40 miles an hour, should strike it.

It costs the Boston & Albany railroad over \$100,000 a year to maintain these crossings. There is not a railroad corporation living who would not be willing to contract for the rising or depressing of the roadbed at these crossings for less than \$3,000,000.

There is a statute law of the State which provides that every railroad corporation shall pay into the treasury of the State all surplus earnings above 10 per cent net. The treasury of the Commonwealth cannot show a dollar received under this provision, and yet the Boston & Albany railroad corporation has expended millions upon useless improvements to keep their construction account open. Recent consolidation of

railroad lines tends to the payment of 10 per cent per annum, and a bonanza gratuity beside.

The boom for a \$40,000,000 rapid transit road between New York and Boston has just received a fresh impetus in order to reduce the time between the two cities to three and a half or four hours. Of the four railroad lines between Boston and New York there is not one which cannot make its 80 miles an hour, by abolishing all rail and highway crossings at grade, and what a chapter of horrors would be left out if this was done.—[Boston Traveller.]

### The Way to Retrench.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

How much do we see and hear about retrenchment in our city expenses, a thing most desirable to be sure, but I have seen as yet no really practical suggestion in the light of real reform in that direction. There can be in my opinion but just one effectual way to bring down our city expenses, and that one way may be adopted perhaps by spontaneous meetings of citizens all over the city, who when assembled together, will vote, and pledge themselves, each and every man, not to ask their respective ward committees for a dollar's worth of work, which may be avoided, in any part of the city during the whole year of 1888. There are certain expenses that can be controlled, as for instance the school board spend nearly one fourth of the whole appropriation; but our city officials appropriate the balance of the people's money very largely because the citizens themselves are comparatively ignorant of them, and in one way or another, if we really wish for retrenchment let us all make it manifest in the way suggested. Let us see if we are quite sure we are ready to adopt about the only effectual course whereby we may certainly reduce the running expenses of our city. If we are not ready for this course, let us at least drop this great hue and cry about retrenchment and lower taxation. We may institute and run this line of reform just as well after the election as before it, and if we approve of it let us go at once about it. Why not try it?

There is one effectual way to bring down our family expenses, and that is by living a while on hash. We have procured a city charter, one of the most expensive institutions in the world, got our parks and electric lights, etc., etc., at the reputation of residing in the handsomest place in the country, and have run things generally on the high pressure system, and we don't like it, that is we don't like to pay the bills. Now, who of us will take the initiatory steps in calling such meetings of citizens as here suggested. Let us see if we are ready to go down to the very roots of this whole matter, and the result may decide if we really mean business.

QUEERIST.

### Grade Crossings Must Go.

(Natick Bulletin.)

It is getting to be more and more apparent that the main grade crossings of the Boston & Albany in such thickly settled places as Natick and Newton, are nothing more or less than death traps. As the places increase in population, so will the number of victims naturally increase in the same ratio. And one of the worst features of all is that many of the employees who have the best chance of witnessing these terrible accidents, are too ready to swear that it was no fault of the road, and that the victims were either asleep or drunk at the time.

(Clinton Courier.)

As with the Chinese, so grade crossings "must go," the present custom of driving an express train at forty miles an hour upon highways which cross the track at right angles—saying nothing of those more dangerous places where they cross diagonally, in the cover of hills or trees—is quite too risky to be long tolerated in this country; a recent trip over the railroad between New Haven and New York city, showed us a large number of instances in which the highways are being either raised above or lowered below the railroad track to avoid the fatal traps. Connecticut's recent legislation on this subject is of the most sensible sort; and we hope the time is not far distant when the High, Water, Main, Sterling and Woodlawn street grade crossings in this town will be superseded by bridges.

### Free Library.

There has been placed in the Free Library during the past week, four large and very handsome albums, which have been called "The Cathedral Books." They have been so named because they contain photographs of the English cathedrals, collected and arranged by the late librarian, Miss Hannah P. James. The first volume is devoted to those of Norman architecture and contains photographs and plans of the cathedrals of Durham, Rochester, Ely, Hereford, Norwich, Peterboro and Gloucester; vol. 2, early English, Canterbury, Salisbury, and Worcester; vol. 3, the decorated style, Wells, Lichfield, Lincoln, York and Exeter; vol. 4, Perpendicular, Winchester, Ripon, Bristol, Bath, and St. Paul. The photographs are magnificent and carefully mounted and arranged, in which work Miss James was assisted by Miss K. S. Dodd and Mr. Arthur Clinton. The title preceding each subject is beautifully illustrated, and bears the Episcopal arms of the bishop; the illustrations were the work of Mr. A. H. Berry and the heraldic emblems of Miss L. P. Merritt. The sketches in outline were drawn by Mr. Robert Lewis and Evelyn Purdie. Miss James and her talented assistants generously donated their work, and the collection is a very valuable addition to the library. The books will be on exhibition every Wednesday at 2 p.m.

### Our Congressman.

Mr. Burnett's room, it has been said, will be next the Metropolitan club, but that yet goes unconfirmed. There is more or less curiosity to see Mr. Burnett. I find. The fame of his farm products has preceded him to a considerable extent, though the way in which he and his cheese and eggs and his father and the latter's cocaine are mixed up is certainly very funny. A gentleman upon yesterday, in talking of the congressman, asked if he was not the man who invented Dr. Helmhold's buchu remedy and married Mr. Lowell's sister. The average conception of him is evidently a sort of cross between an Indian medicine man, a delving agriculturalist and a semi-literary man. The wonderers will be pleasantly surprised when they see the tall, well-knit figure and business-like appearance of the young congressman from the ninth district.—[Washington Dispatch.]

### TAXATION.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

In my hasty remarks about taxation in your paper of the 25th, a change of a word has so changed the meaning that I must ask a correction.

In proposing a fixed limit of the rate of taxation of 15 to 1000 valuation, we said "in our belief it ought to be less." Your paper has it in our behalf, and again when we say, a known limit would be a help, etc.; your paper has it that no limit would be, etc.

To establish such a rule would be a practical thing, as it is just what all are striving for, and is not in the way of a reduction to 12 if found possible. The city of Newton is composed of half a dozen villages, in some respects as distinct in their wants as if different towns. We don't think the whole city should be taxed thousands of dollars and perpetual care for a boys' play ground at Newton Centre. It is a local matter that should be locally provided; each village knows its exact want in this respect, and the best and cheapest way of providing for it. Perhaps some kind of Mr. Farlow's would in each village come forward and give us play grounds for boys, with the condition that those who used it should take care of it.

It is much the same with watering the streets, for which \$6000 is appropriated; it is a local matter, some need watering and some do not, and some residents care for it and others do not. When living in Boston we for years contributed to the watering of particular streets with no reference to general taxation. We are aware much is said of saving the material from blowing away, but the streets should be so taken care of as not to blow away.

C. Newtonville.

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## A DECISIVE VERDICT.

One of the excellent things about our form of government is that sooner or later all public questions must be submitted to the people for their verdict. Those who founded our government did not intend that an exception should be made in regard to school boards, as some of the speakers at the Reform convention seemed to think. Because a member of a school board is adversely criticized is no more reason that he should have a life term of the office, then in the case of a mayor, for instance. It was a curious argument to advance, especially as new blood is needed occasionally on a school board, if it is needed anywhere.

The recent election has shown what the public think in regard to a matter that has caused so much discussion, and this knowledge will be nowhere so valuable as to the majority of the school board and their partisans. They have claimed that all the opposition came from "a parcel of school boys," and that any defiance shown to public sentiment was "letting the school children run the schools." One member of the board who went down in the general defeat declared long ago that the opposition had all died out. He learned his mistake on Tuesday. Members of a school board have a three years term of office, and this fact is apt to make them a little careless of public opinion, but the day of reckoning comes to them as well as to members of other legislative bodies. Members of a school board are chosen to represent the people, and if they are not able to discover what public sentiment is, they must expect to suffer for their mistake.

The power entrusted to a school board is almost unlimited, but for that very reason they are expected to make a careful and judicious use of it, and not to allow themselves to be blinded by prejudice, or over persuaded by those who are skilled in making the worse appear the better reason, or to make a mistake in judgment.

The school board had its day of triumph when it treated the numerous petitions it received with contempt, and disregarded the unanimous sentiment of one of the largest public meetings ever held in Newton. The people had their day last Tuesday and they improved it. Teaching children to respect authority is all very well, but they should also be taught to respect truth and justice.

There is a great deal that might be said upon this question, but it is well to be generous in the hour of triumph. Public sentiment has spoken, and its voice is so emphatic that it will no doubt be heeded. If the majority had been able to give one good reason for their action, the result might have been different, but there were nothing but vague insinuations, one being given out as the falsity of a former one was shown, and the members acted as if they were accountable to no one for their doings.

We hope that the new members will see the necessity of allowing the fullest publicity to be given to all matters affecting the schools, as this course will prove of benefit both to the schools and to the public. If it is necessary that we should spend more money for schools than any other city in the state, in proportion to our number of pupils, let the reasons be explained, a list of the expenses given, and all the details. If our schools are better fitted out with books and school appliances than the schools of other cities, let that be explained. Let the committee take the public into their confidence, and if such great expenditures are a necessity, which we do not believe, then the public will not regret the cost.

The new members of the committee, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Samuel Barnard, Mr. Chas. E. Parker, Dr. Baker and Rev. Mr. Hornbroke are exceptionally well fitted for forming opinions of their own on school matters, and we have no doubt that they will be able to bring new and valuable ideas to their duties. The three who had opponents were chosen by majorities ranging from 400 to 700, which was certainly complimentary.

And now in common with some of the speakers at the Reform convention, the people of Newton hope that the school question has disappeared from politics, for a season at least. The only question

that now remains is how to bring about some method of economy in school expenditures.

## THE MAYORALTY QUESTION.

All sorts of reasons are given for the result of the voting for mayor, and most of them contain more or less truth. In the first place Mayor Kimball is popular with a large class of voters, and in his own ward he can carry all before him. Last year he received 397 votes there, and this year 394. Ward Five is another of his strongholds, as he increased his majority there from 77 last year to 84 this year. In the other wards he was able to divide the vote in nearly equal parts, so that only an exceptionally strong candidate could defeat him, when all things are favorable. This was not the case this year. The circumstances attending Mr. Wood's nomination rendered defeat probable, and he was also badly handicapped by the action of the convention in regard to the school question. The mere fact that the adjourned convention refused to pledge themselves to vote for their nominee, was another obstacle to the success of their ticket.

The letter which Mayor Kimball was persuaded to write was a very amusing document to those who know all the facts, and furnished no reason why his friends should not work for his nomination. It was evidently intended to mean just what the writer said. The satisfaction that it gave to his opponents did not increase, the more they pondered over it, as it left him perfectly free to accept any nomination that was tendered him.

Like the members of the school board, Mayor Kimball desired a vindication, but unlike them he received it. He had every provocation to run again, and show his strength, as much of the criticism passed upon him was undeserved. The Mayor of Newton is not alone responsible for extravagant expenditures or for high taxes, as he has no vote in any committee, and after all the denunciations concerning extravagance and high taxes, to single out the Mayor as the only man to blame, was to give him a challenge which few men could resist, especially as his election was rendered certain by the course of his opponents.

It was a curious contest, and Mayor Kimball appears to have carried off the most of the honors. Nevertheless, the demand for economy has been so pronounced, that we are sure Mayor Kimball will do all in his power to bring about retrenchment and reform. There is no man in the city who has a greater desire to please the people, or to follow what seem to be their wishes. Heretofore there have been only complaints because more improvements were not made, because this or that street was not attended to, or this modern invention was not introduced, and it is no wonder that the Mayor and City Council should have striven to give the public what they wanted. Now all this has changed, and we may expect Alderman Nickerson to resolutely report on all petitions for the acceptance of new streets, recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the same method from the chairmen of all other committees, all of which will be duly approved by the Mayor. The Reform ticket was defeated, but the cause still lives, and the members of the city government will be false to their own political futures if they do not give us a year of reform, that will be a forcible reminder of that blessed town government of which we are hearing so much.

If we could have it for one year, we imagine that every one would be glad to return to the present somewhat costly condition of things.

The statements made by the Newton correspondent of the Boston papers in regard to the recent election, come under the head of "amusing reading," they have been so wide of the facts. Among them are such gems as "the result of the election is regarded with considerable surprise, especially the vote for mayor." We doubt if even any of the delegates to the Reform convention were surprised, as the re-election of Mayor Kimball was conceded as soon as the first meeting of the Reform convention had adjourned. Mr. Wood led a forlorn hope from the start, and only his strong sense of duty, and the feeling that he owed it to the citizens of Newton who had conferred so many honors upon him, led him to accept the leadership of the campaign. His friends made a strong fight, and that they made such a good showing is creditable to them and their candidate. When a convention refuses to pledge itself to support their nominee, by an over-whelming vote, there need be no "surprise" that he is defeated. The Mugwump doctrine appears to be popular in Newton.

A CORRESPONDENT presents in another column some rather startling figures, in regard to the growth of our school expenses during the past thirty years, and argues that it is high time that a "reasonable school economy" should be secured. The figures presented in the GRAPHIC last week, showing the comparative cost of the schools in the larger cities of the state, were a great surprise to most of the citizens, who had no idea that we were paying so much more than other communities, and who are not able to understand why Newton schools require such extravagant expenditures. In their annual report, which is dated the first of next month and will be issued some time next summer, it is to be hoped that the majority of the school board will make some explanation. Public curiosity will hardly have entirely died out by that time.

THE GRAPHIC has been urged to make a display of roosters this week, but space is too valuable, and it is well to be

generous toward those who were defeated. The recent election has shown which is the leading paper of Newton, and also that the GRAPHIC has an influence which must be taken into account in municipal politics. It is not the organ of any one man or set of men, and is not afraid to express its convictions. Our large subscription list, which is much larger than that of any other local paper, and the steadily increasing sale at all the news agencies, show that its course is approved by the people. We have received a large number of new subscribers since last Friday, and this substantial form of approval is one that publishers appreciate.

We have a strong city council for the coming year, including many old members who have gained a valuable experience in city affairs. In the board of aldermen the city will be represented by Aldermen Nickerson, Johnson, Pettie and Ward, of the present board, Messrs. Chadwick and Tyler from the common council, and Mr. E. O. Childs, who although a new member is not a stranger to the work before the council, and who will be a valuable addition. In the common council, Messrs. Powell, Gore, Moody, Burr, Read and Kennedy are re-elected, and the new members are A. W. Rice of Ward One, John A. Fenn and E. T. Wiswall of Ward Two, Lawrence Bond and H. H. Hunt of Ward Three, F. J. Hale and E. H. Greenwood of Ward Five, and E. S. Hamblen of Ward Seven. These are representative men and the next city council ought to prove an excellent one.

THE residents of Morse field are again ready with a petition for annexation to Newton, as will be seen by a notice in another column. They mean to keep it up until they succeed, and their treatment by Watertown in regard to drainage will be a strong argument in their favor.

THE Prospectus of the Springfield Republican appears in this issue and a special offer is made for the coming year.

## School Extravagance.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

I was much interested in an editorial in the GRAPHIC of Dec. 2nd, on "our costly school system." With your permission, I will, to direct much needed continued attention to the subject restate some of its facts, together with additional ones, and add a few comments.

The annual report of the Newton school committee for 1886 happens to contain some very interesting statistics for 1887, now thirty years ago. From it we make the following comparisons:

	1857	1886
Children of school age	1216	3785
Number of schools	22	86
Salaries of teachers	\$10,154	\$82,046
Care of buildings	\$496	\$5,906
Total expense	\$11,650	\$113,288

It will be seen from this table that, while the number of children is very nearly three times as great now as in 1857, the cost of the schools is not three times, but more than ten times as great. Are our children ten times as well taught as they were thirty years ago? Who believes it?

Coming, now, to present comparisons with other places, it would seem that we must be either employing more teachers to a given number of pupils, or else paying higher average salaries than elsewhere; for, out of the total of over \$113,000, which then was the cost of the schools, the cost of the salaries is not more than ten times the cost of the buildings, and of the salaries of the teachers, including that of the superintendent.

It would also be interesting to know just what \$15,500 for "school incidentals" were expended for, when only \$11,650 was the total cost of all the schools for 1857, and that of \$82,046 for 1886. Now let no one mischievously raise a false issue by false accusations of opposition to progress, "progress" and "reform" being the best abused words in the language. None of our citizens are opposed to either, or to any real improvement. But the value of things, and especially of the best things is not necessarily in proportion to the amount of money spent on them. Webster, Clays, Wilsons, and Lincolns were not the product of palace schools, to which they had a daily free ride, and so we may well ask, why five or six, instead of more than ten times the cost, is not an abundant allowance for improvement in teaching three times the former number of pupils. Such an increase of cost would make the expense per child \$19.00 a year or less. Instead of the present \$29.00, nearly, and would save about \$40,000 a year to the vast majority whose taxes are a grievous burden. And are Newtonians so vastly superior to their fellow citizens in such places as Brockton, Worcester, Lowell, Salem, Springfield, Cambridge, and New Bedford, in all of which there is much intellectual as well as material activity, but where school cost per head ranges from \$10.70 to \$15.82, that not even \$19.00, but the unreasonable excess of almost \$29.00 per head must be spent on our schools? Surely it is high time that a reasonable school economy should be called for, day and night persistently, until it is secured.

## MANY TAX PAYERS.

## Why the School Board Was Defeated

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

The citizens of Newton, at a meeting held in June, after considering a question that seemed of importance to them, passed resolutions and appointed a committee to wait on the school committee, requesting them to grant the petition of more than two hundred mothers, more than two hundred past graduates, and more than four hundred of the scholars of the High School. This they refused to do, and even went further, refraining from extending the civil courtesies due any one who offers a petition, by refusing to refer the same to a committee.

At the time our citizens were considering the question before them for discussion, they were told that it was wrong for them to criticize the school committee when no good could come from it, but that their redress was at the polls. If the different petitions had been referred to a committee, and due consideration had been paid to the request of a large number of our citizens, I am quite sure that even if the school committee had carried out their original plan, there would

have been no feeling such as now exists.

The remarks of a certain gentleman from West Newton at the so-called Reform convention, "that the action of the school board should be acquiesced in, and that the school committee should feel that they are supported in whatever they do," is simply a reflection on over five hundred of our intelligent citizens who attended this meeting, and all others who were interested in a question that seemed to be of enough importance to demand investigation.

The gentleman is wrong who says that the school board are to be supported in whatever they do, for one of the privileges of an American citizen is that he can resist and criticize any elected functionary who holds office, and when the day comes that this privilege is denied him, it will be a sorry one for our country.

The citizens of Newton are greatly indebted to the GRAPHIC for the many and independent stand it has taken in this matter. It has represented the majority of the citizens of Newton, and has not been afraid to express an opinion.

A. D. S. BELL.

Chestnut Hill, Dec. 7.

## Did the Best They Could.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

Your strictures upon the non-partisan convention and caucuses, for not nominating a more thoroughly Reform ticket, are easily answered. They did the best they could with the available material. What can be done to improve our city government when the men who are most needed cannot, will not, accept the offices. I know of at least ten of the most respected citizens of Newton, who were solicited to consent to the use of their names as candidates for the mayorality, but they all absolutely refused; notwithstanding, every one of them agreed that a change was necessary. J. W. S.

## Newton Cottage Hospital.

The treasurer gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following amounts from Hospital Sunday contributions since last report:

Baptist Church, Upper Falls,.....	\$ 3.00
Church of the Messiah, Auburn,.....	17.65
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St. Bernard's Church, West Newton,.....	58.78
First Baptist Church,.....	35.16
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There are thirteen more churches that should be heard from.

GEO. S. BULLENS, Treas.  
Newton, Dec. 8, 1887.

## The Platform.

The following excellent platform was adopted at the Reform convention, and it is one which all citizens will approve. The new city government would do well to be guided by it:

First. Resolved that the best men should be elected to fill our municipal offices without regard to their views concerning national and state politics.

Second. Resolved that our city charter ought to be revised so as to insure greater accuracy, economy and efficiency; and to this end we recommend that the city government of 1888, should move in this matter. We suggest especially for consideration the expediency of increasing the power of mayor over the appointment and removal of heads of departments, and of having the city council consist of one body.

Third. Resolved that our citizens have just cause for feeling disturbed at the rapid increase of valuation and taxation; and that our municipal expenses

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FOLSOM—DARLING.—At Newton, Dec. 1, by Rev. H. A. Metcalf, Harley E. Folsom, of Lynn, Vt. and Jennie L. Darling, of Newton.

PIERCE—BLISS.—At West Newton, Dec. 1, by Rev. Francis Tiffany, Daniel C. Pierce, of Brockton and Florence M. Bliss, of Newton.

TRUSSELL—MOFFATT.—At Newtonville, Nov. 24, by Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Jr., William G. Trusselle, of Boston and Sarah Moffatt, of Newton.

GALLAGHER—FENNELL.—At West Newton, Nov. 23, James R. Gallagher and Nellie A. Fennell.

SMITH—COLLINS.—At West Newton, Nov. 26, Samuel Smith and Margaret Collins.

DYALL—BOWMAN.—At Newton Upper Falls, Nov. 10, Daniel W. Dyall and Louise Emma Bowman.

MATHERSON—HEINLEIN.—At South Natick, Dec. 5, by Rev. John Colby, Nilla Matherson and Mary Heinlein.

CHICK—McASKILL.—At Newtonville, Nov. 28, by Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Jr., Oscar Adams Chick and Catherine G. McAskill.

PETERSON—TORSLEFF.—At Newton, Nov. 22, Lawrence B. Peterson and Edith Clifton Torsleff.

## DIED.

VOSE.—In Newton, Dec. 1, Abbie Bemis Vose, aged 85 years.

HAMNELL.—In Nonantum, Dec. 2, Katie A. Hamnell, aged 11 years.

FOGGSWELL.—In Newtonville, Dec. 6, Gladis, infant daughter of John K. and Susan Foggsell.

PARENTI.—In Newton Upper Falls, Dec. 5, Rosa Ann Parenti, aged 3 years.

HATHAWAY.—In West Newton, Dec. 4, Karl W., infant son of Chas. L. and Alice E. Hathaway, aged 5 months 20 days.

GIANT.—In West Newton, Dec. 3, Jennie O. Giant, aged 5 years 7 months.

THOMAS.—In Newton Lower Falls, Mrs. Mary Thomas, aged 96 years.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

LOST.—At the Newton Station, Thursday evening, a Pocket Book, containing a sum of money. The finder will be rewarded by returning it to C. W. Leatherbee, West Newton.

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## NEWTONVILLE.

—Mr. W. H. Mendell is away on a short trip.

—Mrs. Breeden still remains in a critical condition.

—Mr. Geo. Tewksbury has returned from his western trip.

—Mr. Lawrence and Miss Towne are to be married in January.

—Mrs. Sherwood sang in Nashua, N. H., one evening last week.

—The C. L. S. C. will meet at Mrs. Soden's next Monday evening.

—Mr. Leavitt is some better, but far from well yet, and not able to be out.

—Mr. Bradshaw has already received a number of large orders for Christmas.

—It is greatly regretted that Mr. Redpath has declined to serve as Councilman.

—The ladies of the Methodist Society cleared about \$400 at their sale last week.

—The engagement of Miss Lillian Booth and Mr. Will Allen is announced.

—U. H. Dyer is making his market famous for the excellence of his fresh opened oysters.

—Mr. Colton announces in another column a very extensive list of holiday goods. See adv.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stover were the guests of Mr. W. H. Mendell, Saturday and Sunday last.

—Mr. Upham of Boston has taken possession of Mr. Gaffield's house on Highland avenue.

—Alderman-elect Chadwick has leased his house on Watertown street to Mr. Wm. Andrews of Boston.

—Rev. R. A. White lectures on Martin Luther in the Universalist church next Sunday evening. All are invited.

—As usual, H. P. Dearborn will have a fine display of Christmas trees, holly and everything in the line of decorations for Christmas.

—Caucuses on Sunday are anything but commendable to any party which holds them, and to resort to such means can produce no good result.

—It is rumored that Mrs. Mary A. Livermore will be present at the installation of the officers of the Women's Relief Corps next Thursday evening.

—The children of the Universalist Sunday School are to give a little operetta on Christmas eve, called "Caught Napping"; the music is by Mr. Leo Lewis. It promises to be very enjoyable.

—The annual exhibition given by Miss Tewksbury and Miss Mann at their studio in Boston, took place this week Wednesday and Thursday, and was more largely attended than ever before.

—In the report of the second ward caucus there were several errors, and it should have been stated that Mr. Henry Ross withdrew in favor of Mr. Chadwick. So many meetings on the same evening rendered it impossible to secure full and accurate reports of all.

—Mr. J. C. Fuller has leased Mrs. Lane's house on Central place to J. B. Gardner of Boston; Mrs. Houghton's house on Lowell street, furnished, to J. W. Stanley of Boston; Wm. Howard's house on Newtonville avenue to Wm. Frazier of Holyoke.

—There were not many of the delegates to the Reform Convention who remained at the polls and worked all day for the success of their ticket. In this ward Mr. J. W. Stover showed that he meant to stand by the convention, by remaining at the ward room all day, and most of the delegates contented themselves with voting. The anti-Kimball vote last year was 37, this year it was 54.

—The regular meeting of the Goddard Literary Union was held Tuesday evening. A good number were out, and the program was entertaining. Mrs. White's solo was sweetly sung, and the little musical dialogue called "O. P. E. R. A." was given very well by Messrs. Pinkham and Cabot, and Mrs. W. F. Kimball and Mrs. Atwood. Some numbers on the clarinet and cornet were very enjoyable. The meeting adjourned early, politics being the excitement of the hour.

—The children of the Swedenborgian Society gave a most charming little entertainment last Friday evening in their church parlors. A little operetta was given, called "The Land of Nod," and surely praise is due all those interested in bringing it to so great success. Master Carter was excellent as the King, and Masters Burgess and Redpath were well high imitators as his two henchmen. The ladies and lasses all entered into it with spirit, and the wee babies were very sweet. It is well worth a repetition. A large audience were enthusiastic over it, and the evening was an enjoyable one to all.

—The Universalist Fair was favored by sunshine and a good attendance yesterday afternoon. The hall was attractively decorated, and considering the short time spent in soliciting and preparation, there was a good display of fancy and useful articles. The supper and ice cream room were liberally patronized, the flower table in charge of Miss Lida Ross was abundantly supplied with beautiful flowers which found ready sale, the home-made candy table in charge of Misses Clifford and Metcalf, the fancy table in charge of Mrs. Sherwood, Mrs. Kimball, and Mrs. Richards, the young people's table presided over by Mrs. White and Mrs. Tainter, the apron table with Mrs. Kingsbury and Mrs. Wiggins in charge were all well stocked, but stripped entirely before the evening was over. The music furnished by piano, clarinet, violin and cello, was excellent and added much to the attractiveness of the evening. How much the fair will net the ladies' sewing society can not yet be estimated, but it was a success in every sense of the word.

—Mr. John F. Payne opened his new drug store on Thursday, and the public were more than surprised at the beauty and taste shown in fitting it up. There is not another store in any of the suburbs of Boston that can compare with it. No expense has been spared evidently, and the result is a very attractive place. The woodwork is of cherry, the counters being relieved by white marble tops, and the sides inlaid with black Egyptian marble and gilt. The prescription desk has a full length plate glass mirror in front, with panels of hand painted porcelain on either side, and suggestive bronze bas-reliefs, one of which represents little angels studying chemistry and astronomy. The show cases are all of plate glass, and the soda fountain is an especially handsome affair, surmounted by a plate glass mirror. The elegant chandeliers were furnished by R. Hollings & Co. of Boston, and add much to the appearance of the store, although incandescent lights are to be used. The bottles were all made to order, and seem to be liberally filled. The show windows indicate the elegance of the interior, as they are carpeted with heavy

felt and have portieres of plush. Mr. Payne, in another column invites his Newtonville and other friends to call upon him and see what an attractive place he has prepared for them.

—The Every Saturday Club of Newton, Mass., has distinguished itself among suburban literary clubs, says the Journal of Education.

—Mr. D. C. Heath, of publishing house fame, chairman of the executive committee, has been largely instrumental in making the club what it is.

Among the active members who have given the club its distinction are Hon. John W. Dickinson, Secretary State Board of Education; Francis A. Waterhouse, head master English High School, Boston; Ezra W. Sampson, of the Newton High School; H. H. Carter, the Beacon Hill stationer; Henry C. Hayden, the elocutionist. Wm. F. Slocum, the president, is a young Boston lawyer of professional mark.

The program of exercises for this its eighteenth season is "A Winter in America"; the subdivisions being "America before Columbus," "European Discoveries and Conquests," "Forms of Government," "History of Slavery," "American Literature," "Historic Newton," "The Tariff," "The Church in America," "Social and Political Problems," "Henry George," "Natural Resources," "American Scenery," "Historic Boston," and "American Historical Fiction." Under each is a remarkable list of books bearing upon the subject.

The twenty-six books referred to under "The Tariff," make an exceedingly valuable compilation of authorities.

## WEST NEWTON.

—Paul Van Duzee is in Mattapan, Mass.

—Mr. Joshua Blake is wintering in St. Augustine, Florida.

—Capt. S. E. Howard has returned from Cooperstown, N. Y.

—A number of serious cases of dysentery among children are reported.

—Mr. and Mrs. James P. Tolman are at Natural Bridge Hotel, Natural Bridge, Va.

—The Young Workers' Mission Circle, will meet at Mrs. C. G. Phillips, tomorrow afternoon.

—The past year 1815 dogs have been licensed, an increase of 112 over the previous year.

—Miss Preston of Harrison square was the guest of Miss May Lovett for several days last week.

—Karl Hathaway, aged 17 months, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hathaway, died Dec. 5, after a short illness.

—Miss Florence Swan of Brooklyn, N. Y., who has been visiting the Misses Lawrence, is now at Mr. Wm. E. Plummer's, Auburndale.

—Ward Three was one of the last to be heard from Tuesday night, and the counters must have had a hard struggle with the split tickets.

—At the missionary service Sunday evening, at the Congregational church, Rev. Mr. Strong reported the progress that was being made in the several fields.

—The annual meeting of the Newton Hospital Aid Association, will be held Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 3 p. m. in the parlors of the Congregational church, West Newton.

—The Congregational society held its monthly sewing circle and social Thursday last, which was well attended, a bountiful repast was served, and with recitations and readings the evening was delightfully passed.

—Rev. Mr. Puddfoot of Michigan, will speak on "Home Missions" at the Congregational church, next Sunday morning and evening. Mr. Puddfoot is an interesting speaker, and large congregations listen to his narrative.

—In the police court last Friday, Michael Hart was fined \$100 and costs for selling a glass of whiskey; he appealed.

—On Monday two young men were convicted of assault and battery, and it cost them \$23.00 to get out of the scrape. The quart of whiskey taken from McCarthy in Cork City, on Nov. 20, was condemned on Wednesday; John Dunn claimed the liquor and appealed.

—Rev. Francis Tiffany will deliver his series of four lectures on Venice, in Northampton, the four Monday evenings of December for the benefit of the public school which is held weekly.

Twenty young ladies of that city giving two hours a week to this very charitable work. They could not have secured any thing more entertaining or instructive in aid of their enterprise, than this course of brilliant lectures.

—The first of a series of occasional evening services to be held in the Union church, the ensuing winter, commenced last Sunday evening, and was made very interesting, by Rev. E. H. Hall, of Cambridge, who spoke of the past and present of Unitarianism. Mr. Thomas Gaffield of Boston, followed by a statement of the financial needs of the unitarian association, to carry on its missionary enterprises, and Rev. Mr. Hornbrook of Newton closed with a few very pertinent remarks.

—There was a large attendance at the Firemen's Relief Entertainment, Wednesday night, and a comfortable sum was realized for the fund. The Lotus Glee club sang in their usual excellent style and were heartily applauded, receiving a number of encores. Miss Fay Day read a number of selections. Miss Alice Potter sang several solos. Mr. F. R. H. Pingree gave some humorous selections, thus giving a very pleasing variety to the exercises, and judging from the applause and numerous encores, the audience were more than satisfied.

—The Christmas fair held by the Unitarian society was a success financially as well as socially. \$1,500.50 was netted as the result of the earnest efforts of the ladies; several individuals were made recipients of gifts from the members of the society. Mrs. Jaynes received a fine water color painted by Mrs. Moore, Rev. Mr. Jaynes a plaque with the head of Dante, Mrs. Otis a very handsome bed afghan made by Miss Tolman, and Mr. H. H. Hunt a water color, not forgetting Mrs. Hussey's little girl, who was made happy by a beautiful wax doll. It was an occasion of great pleasure to all who were able to participate. The high school orchestra reflected great credit upon themselves for the fine music they rendered the third evening, which added very much to the enjoyment of the occasion. The debt upon the ladies' parlor is liquidated with a handsome surplus for its furnishing, also other contemplated improvements about the church edifice.

—The lecture before the Educational Club by Mrs. Dr. Bates, on the nervous system or "mind over matter," was well attended, and replete with instruction and valuable hints. She opened her paper by saying that the nervous system was the

great rudder that controls the ship of life, and a disease of the nerves will be felt by organs of the body very remote from each other; thus long continued anxiety or depression will produce dyspepsia, liver trouble and various other diseases, and end in the too frequent inquiry "is life worth living?"

The emotional nature of a large and important part with the nervous system, as may be seen by the flushed cheek and blanched countenance upon any disturbance of the nerves. One should never expend all their nervous energy, but leave behind a reason force. Nervous prostration, the reserve of over-taxed the nerves, must find a cure only in rest and diversion.

Worry hurts more than work, and if our worries would perform more of the duties of the household and avoid so much friction with servants, it would conduce greatly to the stronger tone of their nerves. Men by their freer out door life, and women by their more domestic than women. The mind cure has its place, and should be recognized. She alluded to a remarkable fact which is held by scientists of the present day—"The central or stellate shaped cells of the brain are collected into a grand aggregating mass, forming the gray substance of the surface of the brain matter, and the central portion of the spinal cord, while the mass of white neural matter with which they are associated consists wholly of amass of conducting fibres. It is probable that an individual cell performs but one act, during life, and yet so lavish is nature with her life centers, that although she furnishes a separate cell for every motion, for every thought, reflection, memory, for every object seen through life, every sound, every taste, every odor, still a person in average health, after having led an active life, will have a large number of these original cells left after reaching a good old age. Memory has been defined as the power of ransacking these stored away cells to find the one which contains the record of a given act, or thought."

Miss Hunt will read a paper before the next meeting, on "Education among the Rocky Mountains," based upon personal experiences.

## AUBURNDALE.

—Mrs. W. E. Plummer is entertaining Miss Florence Swan of Brooklyn.

—Mr. A. R. Eaton has removed from Dakota, to Las Animas, Colorado.

—Mrs. Charles E. Parker has been making an extended visit in New York.

—Waldo W. Cole has recently been enrolled as a member of the Apollo Club.

—A Christmas entertainment is to be given by Miss Aiken's pupils a few days before the 25th.

—Mrs. E. S. Wright of Amherst is to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Willner, for several weeks.

—Mrs. Crocker, formerly well known here as Miss Mabel Huestis, is very ill of consumption, in Denver, Colorado.

—In addition to the usual course of lectures upon cooking, Lasell Seminary is giving its pupils the benefit of a series concerning "Home Sanitation."

—The Christmas sale of the ladies of the church of the Messiah will be held in Auburn Hall on December 17th. There are to be many attractive tables and possibly an additional entertainment for the evening. See advertisement.

—Information having come from Munich that Miss Alice Ranlett was again ill of pneumonia, Capt. W. E. Ranlett left for that city on December 1st. Miss Ranlett is not so seriously ill but what her father hopes to bring her home in a short time.

—The arrivals at the Woodland Park Hotel this week: Mrs. E. W. Greene, West Newton; Mrs. M. H. Sinclair, East Orange, N. J.; Chas. R. Holman, Worcester; Mrs. Tewksbury, Miss Tewksbury, Boston; Albert Thordike, Cambridge; Arthur Perrin, William S. Goldthwait, Marblehead.

—The second monthly Bowling Party of the Gamma Zeta was held Tuesday evening at the Newton Boat Club House, and proved a decided success. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, William H. Leland; Vice President, Miss Cora A. Stewart; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. John M. Burr, Jr.

## NONANTUM.

—The side walk is done and we can go the length of California street dry shod after a hard frost.

—Miss Sarah A. Feeley of this village, sailed for England in the steamer Cephalonia, on Thursday.

—There is to be the usual Christmas tree at the North Church, but the gifts will be for the children only this year.

—Michiel Hoy of Oxford, Mass., but formerly of this place, was here this week on a mourning errand, that of burying one of his children.

—John Boyle, formerly of the Aetna mills, but who has been in Minnesota for the past three years, has returned, and will remain here through the winter.

—The stores in this village are putting on their holiday attire. Mr. Hudson announces through his advertising sheet all kinds of goods for Christmas.

—The contract with the United States government for carrying the mail from Bemis station to Nonantum post-office, has been signed by Thomas Kybert, and he has already entered upon his duties.

—Mr. Marshall Jones of this village met with an accident while stepping from a moving train a few evenings ago, he was thrown violently to the ground severely lacerating his face and hands.

—The Fitchburg Railroad ran a special train from Waltham to Bemis station to accommodate people here, who attended the public Installation of Officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 53, Sons of St. George, on Tuesday evening.

—A young fellow named Patterson, who has done time for stealing, secured work at the Nonantum Mills a week ago, but was discharged on Saturday and left town on Sunday with a new suit of clothes and an overcoat, the property of James Edwards.

—The Kendal cash store has a splendid display of holiday goods, carefully selected, to which they invite the attention of the people of Nonantum. It will pay to call early. Their general stock of dry goods, gloves, boots and shoes, etc, is also very complete.

—A very pleasant and happy reunion took place at the house of Mr. Charles Rollins in this village last Sunday. Mrs. M. A. Bedell, mother of Mrs. Rollins, had all her family with her to spend Sunday. The family included Mrs. George Grey and daughter of Jefferson, N. H., A. H. Bedell and wife of South Framingham, Mr. Austin Bedell of Watertown, Miss Annie Bedell, Mrs. A. S. Foss and Mrs. C. H. Rollins of this village, and Mr. Fred Bedell.

## The Read Fund Lecture.

There was a very large audience at Armory Hall, Tuesday, to listen to the first lecture of Dr. Mary E. Bates on Health.

The subject of the evening was "The Skin, and its relation to Health and Beauty." The lecture was fully illustrated by the stereopticon, under the management of Mr. Black of Boston, which added much to the interest of the lecture.

Dr. Bates was introduced by Alderman Harwood, chairman of the Read fund committee. Dr. Bates spoke in an easy and graceful manner, and retained the interest of her audience to the end.

The lecture was full of bright sayings, very happily expressed, and the lecture combined both instruction and amusement. She said that people were beginning to pay more attention to their bodies, and the conditions in which they lived. The old superstition that the body was not worth care or thought was passing away, as the conditions of health were becoming better understood, and people were living more in accord with common sense principles.

To know what we do know and also to know what we do not know is to be truly wise, and the way to secure and retain perfect health is one of the things that all should know thoroughly. It is important for mothers, who are then able to teach their children to avoid sickness. A sound constitution is the best inheritance that one can have, and the fortunate possessor should know how to keep it unimpaired. After these introductory remarks, the speaker took up the subject of the evening, and showed the very important part the skin plays in the role of health. The surface of the skin amounts to about 15 square feet, and the millions of sweat-pores are at all times discharging waste matter, a portion of which is solid and in some cases poisonous. For this reason, those who wish perfect health must bathe frequently. Cleanliness is one of the first principles of health. The three divisions of the skin were also shown, and many illustrations given. Sections of the hair and the nails were shown, highly magnified, and the provisions made by nature for the growth of these described. It is estimated that a person 80 years old has renewed his finger nails 200 times. The dangers resulting from an obedience to the dictates of fashion were shown. The lecture closed with pictures of some of the noted beauties thrown upon the canvas, to illustrate the use and duties of the pigment or coloring matter between the true skin and the cuticle. This pigment alone makes the difference between the white man and the negro, the blond and brunette, the coloring matter being darkened to form the blackness of the negro. Those who were present felt well repaid for their attendance, both from the pleasure of listening to the lecturer and the great amount of valuable information they received. The next lecture will be given next Tuesday evening.

## Intolerable Nuisance.

Before the Police Court, on Monday, two Watertown roughs were arraigned. They had been to Brighton on Sunday afternoon, and returning through Newton, full of whiskey, made an unprovoked assault on one of our citizens. On their plea of guilty fines were imposed upon each, which with the costs amounted to \$23.00, or \$47.20 in the whole, which they paid. As each of them earned but \$10.50 a week, it will take half of a month's earnings to pay for their Sunday's offences.

The above incident is but one of the cases of a similar nature which are frequent occurrences on Saturday and Sunday evenings, on the avenues leading from Brighton to Newton. The residents on those streets are annoyed by them to such an extent, that one gentleman, at the court house, stated that they had become such an "intolerable nuisance" to him and his family that if it could not be suppressed he would sell his property and move.

It demands a much stronger police force to be there on these evenings, and more exemplary punishments.

## The Real Article.

At a restaurant. A customer in a disgusted tone of voice:

"Why, this milk is turned."

"Well, sir," exclaims the delighted vender of comestibles, "and what does that prove, sir? Why, sir, it proves that the article served to you was, like every thing of its kind in this restaurant, genuine, and not a deceiving combination of chalk and water, sir."—[Judge.]

## Newton Christian Endeavor Union.

The regular meeting of the Newton Christian Endeavor Union will be held at the Congregational church, Newton Highlands, Monday evening, Dec. 12, at 7.45. Subject, "Personal Responsibility in Committee Work," opened by Dr. Hitehook of the Eliot society. Questions for the question box should be sent at once to the president, A. R. Coe, West Newton.

## A Drop too Much

is often taken by the common extension lamps, the slide rod of which is controlled by a screw, but this is never the case with the Hollings Extension Lamps, which have a Patent Safety slide, and an accident is impossible. Call at 547 Washington street, next door to the Adams House, when in Boston, and R. Hollings & Co. will show you their fine assortment.

## Handkerchief Sale.

A great sale of handkerchiefs is advertised at Francis Murdoch & Co.'s, for the holiday trade. Some wonderful bargains are offered in all grades, from the best to the cheapest, and also a large lot of useful holiday gifts in every department of the store.

## Five Dollars

For going up one flight of stairs at 512 Washington street, Boston. See C. C. Moulton & Co.'s advertisement in this issue.

There was a heated discussion in a hotel the other night. "I tell you, sir," said one of the disputants, "there is no law made but what people can change."

"Yes there is," said a new comer; "there is one law no man, no people can change." "What is that?" "A mother-in-law!"—[Scranton Truth.]

Buzz saws.—You can't blame the hen for a bad egg. It takes a good salesman to get what he asks. The rat often gets caught twice in the same trap. The human rake scrapes very little together. The bad boy who tells a whopper is likely to get a whopping.—[The Judge.]

When the railroads reduce the time between New York and Boston to three hours, what a boon that will be for New York.—[Boston Globe.]

The man who moves down life's path and finds it strewn with sweet surprises, is he who knows just how it's done, who keeps a store and advertises.—[Lincoln Democrat.]

The man who was the architect of his own fortunes was a very sensible person. Had he hired another man it would have taken the entire fortune to pay the architect.—[Lowell Citizen.]

Attendant (to Mr. John L. Sullivan at his Hotel)—"Her majesty, the Queen, has expressed a desire to see you." Mr. John L. Sullivan—"Well, show de old lady up on onet."—[New York Sun.]

It is almost too much to hope for, but if the fishery commission would only settle for once and all the claims of America's codfish aristocracy, much good might result from the conference.—[Rochester Post-Express.]

At Killarney Lake there is a wonderful echo. An Irishman says that on leaving he called out his name, and returning two months later, the first thing he heard from the cliffs, was "Pat," with the addition of "have ye got a bottle wid ye?"—[Tid Bits.]

The undersigned respectfully gives notice to his friends and the public, that he is established in business in Association's Block, with an entire new stock of Fine Drugs and Medicines, Toilet Requisites, and Latest Novelties in Fancy Goods.

With an experience of 17 years he will try to anticipate the wants of the public, and carry as complete a stock of goods as should be found in a first-class Apothecary Store, and trusts that careful personal attention will gain both confidence and patronage.

Respectfully,

JOHN F. PAYNE.

Newtonville, Dec., 1887.

Prescriptions carefully prepared, day or night.

## AUBURNDALE.

THE LADIES OF

The Church of the Messiah

Of West Newton and Auburndale will hold a

## SALE

Of Useful and Fancy Articles,

IN

AUBURN HALL,

ON THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING OF

Saturday, Dec. 17th.

Refreshments will be served.

ADMISSION, - - 10 CENTS.

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## Fine Overcoats.

## Boys' Department.

## Children's Overcoats:

(ages 5 to 14,) with capes, hoods, or plain, made from all-wool fabrics and lined with cassimeres and serges,

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BOYS' REEFERS, in Blue Chinchilla and Scotch Cassimeres, trimmed with warm woolen linings,

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Extreme care has been taken to manufacture only such goods as will prove durable and serviceable, and parents will appreciate our large assortment of Boys' and Children's Garments, carefully and reliably made, at extremely low prices.

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## A LITTLE COMEDY.

As the world the same, do you think, my dear,  
As when we walked by the sea together,  
And the white caps danced and the cliffs rose  
sheer,  
And we were glad in the autumn weather?

You played at loving that day, my dear—  
How well you told me that tender story—  
And I made answer, with smile and tear,  
While the sky was flushed with sunset's glory.

Now I shut my eyes, and I see, my dear,  
That far-off path by the surging ocean—  
I shut my eyes, and I seem to hear  
Your voice surmounting the tide's commotion.

It was but a comedy slight, my dear—  
Why should its memory come to vex me?  
Can it be that I am longing that you should ap-  
pear

And play it again? My thoughts perplex me.  
'Tis the sea and the shore that I miss, my dear—  
The sea, and the shore, and the sunset's glory—  
Or would these be nothing without you near,  
To murmur again that fond, old story?

I know you now too well, my dear,  
With your heart as light as a wind-blown  
feather—  
Yet somehow the world seems cold and drear  
Without your acting this autumn weather.

—The Century.

## THE GREAT TOMNODDY WEDDING.

Mr. Roderick Macaulay was annoyed. He had two causes for vexation just then, one connected with his journal, and one with his daughter. For Mr. Macaulay was not only the proprietor of the Evening Blazer, a profitable and popular newspaper, but the father of a very charming daughter, Grace, who has turned the age of twenty. As to proprietorship, Grace generally asserted her ownership of him; but just now the father was in a state of rebellion. The journal gave him very little trouble, and brought him in lots of money. He had a managing editor who understood his business, and who was a scapegoat whenever one of the blunders of the proprietor, who would interfere, produced serious consequences. To balance that, Mr. Macaulay always appropriated the glory of his managing editor's successes to himself. His daughter gave him no end of trouble, and cost him a heap of money. He did not grudge the expense; but when she informed him that she had accepted Mr. Frank Elton as a husband-elect, and expected the paternal consent, it was too much for any man to stand.

For Mr. Frank Elton, though a bright young fellow enough, active as a two-year-old colt, and bold as original sin, had no prospects. He was only what actors would call "a utility man" on the Blazer's staff; or as he put it, "I make myself necessary." If the leader-writer fell sick, Frank filled his place, and did it very well. If the city editor went off "on a drunk," which he did once a month—but being the best around, this little eccentricity was overlooked—Frank "bossed" the city department. But his great work lay in the reporting of social events, the balls, kettledrums, weddings, funerals, and other pleasant occasions.

His accounts were marvels of Jenkinsism, especially his descriptions of the ladies' dresses, which would have done credit to a man mantuamaker. They had made the Blazer's reputation in "society." Decidedly, as a member of the staff, Frank was highly useful. But Mr. Macaulay objected to him as a son-in-law. For Frank had met Grace at one of his gatherings, and impressed her. They had grown intimate. The father found it out through some good-natured friend, and interposed a veto. He was astonished when Grace told him flatly that she would have Frank or no one, and that when she was twenty-one, and mistress of the snug little sum left her by her mother, she would be married with the parental consent, or without it.

Bad enough; but the vexation connected with The Blazer was bad also. That journal was to be prevented from showing its strong point. Miss Gwendoline Tomnoddy was to be the altar by Mr. Alfred Toploftys. This was to be the event of the season. The Tomnoddys and the Toploftys were the cream of the cream of "society." To be sure, the grandfather of Gwendoline had laid the foundation of his fortune by a successful contract in street cleaning; and that is to say, it was successful so far as his bank account was concerned. People had called him "a screwing old scavenger," but he died worth over a million; and his only son, by lucky purchases of mining shares, had multiplied the amount by ten. And Gwendoline was an only child. A million gives respectability, no matter how gained, for dirt does not stick to gold; and ten millions give a patent of nobility in any land where Money is King, and Honesty has become a rag-picker. As for the Toploftys there was by no blot on their family escutcheon. They had only toiled in signing cheques and cutting off coupons. The wedding was to be a great affair and a glowing account of it was needed if The Blazer were to keep up its reputation.

But there was a bar to free journalism and a check to the spirit of inquiry. The Toploftys insisted that while all "society" and his wife should be invited, the press should be barred out. No profane reporter should set his foot within the charmed circle. Those invited to the church, or to the wedding breakfast, were upon honor not to give the reporters "points." The only thing that leaked out was that Peter O'Rourke, the great florist, had carte blanche as to floral decoration at the church and house; but there was nothing new in that, for O'Rourke had the custom of "society" before all his brethren. Every attempt to get a judgment failed, and The Blazer people were in despair.

The day before the wedding, Mr. Macaulay went home to dinner, in a very gloomy state of mind. The first person he ran against in the house was Frank Elton.

"What the (blank) are you doing here?" he asked.

"Dropped in to see Grace" replied Frank, coolly.

"Dune, for to-day. Shall report to-morrow morning at seven and a-half sharp. Always do."

And Frank deliberately removed a hair from his coat sleeve.

Now that hair, engendering suspicions, had the effect upon Mr. Macaulay of a red rag on a wild bull; and he foamed with rage.

"You're a very useful man, Mr. Elton, but The Blazer can do without you. Consider yourself discharged, and keep from here."

"Certainly, Mr. Macaulay, so far as discharge is concerned. It is a transfer of posts. The Grounder will be glad to get me, especially as I have made a

rangements to give a full and detailed report of the Tomnoddy wedding to-morrow. Good-day."

"Here! Stop!" Between The Grounder and The Blazer there was open war. Neither spoke of the other without beginning—"Our esteemed contemporary," but every word after that was saturated with venom. Could it be possible that Frank had the means of doing as he said?

"Now, Frank, my boy," said the publisher, in a milder tone, "that's all bosh. You have no more means of getting in to-morrow than I have. I am not afraid of you giving The Grounder a boom with that."

"Nevertheless, Mr. Macaulay, I intend to be present in the church, and at the breakfast. I intended to take full notes on everybody and everything, and by one o'clock to-morrow afternoon, I shall keep compositors somewhere, pretty busy."

"Well, if you can do that, bring it to us—I revoke the discharge, and I'll add ten dollars a week to your salary."

"Couldn't think of it, sir. I am not on The Blazer staff now. If I return, I must have other inducements."

"Well?"

"If I bring you a full account of the wedding in time for the first edition, which had better be kept back a little, you will consent to my marriage with Grace. Otherwise, I carry it to The Grounder. No wedding with Grace for me, then no Tomnoddy wedding for you."

Macaulay reflected a moment.

"You have some of the elements of journalism in you—one, at least, cheek. If you succeed, your future is certain. Here a clapping of hands to be heard, and Grace emerged from the window-curtains—but no conditions. If you fail, you are to promise to make no more pretensions to this eavesdropper's hall."

"Accept," cried Frank. "Don't be alarmed, Grace; I'm sure to win, and I'm off. I've no time to lose."

And off sped the young man to Mr. Peter O'Rourke, florist. He knew Peter very well, and had given him many a puff in his society reporting, for all of which Peter was quite grateful.

"What can I do for you to-day, Mr. Elton?" he asked. "I'm very busy, but my time's at your service, with the greatest pleasure in loife—an' the green-houses, too."

"You are furnishing the Tomnoddy wedding to-morrow. You need more assistants than usual. I want you to hire me; we sha'n't quarrel about wages."

Peter's eyes twinkled. "I see," said he. "I don't want to know yer raysons for going into the gardening—maybe I can guess. But they may find ye out, and then—the bullet!"

"I'll take care not to compromise you, O'Rourke."

The end of it was that our hero was hired at nothing for wages, and to find himself. He was to come the next morning, always dressed in the height of the mode.

He had a striking face, at least that part of it not hidden by a long, full sweeping mustache, and a full beard. His hair being wavy and inclined to curl, was a little longer than usual. But when a closely cropped and cleanly shaven young man attired in a loose pepper-and-salt suit, of a slop-shop cut, made his appearance early next day, O'Rourke asked him what he wanted.

"Sure, I'm Michael Carroll, sorr," replied the newcomer, "an' ye hired me yesterday."

"Murder!" cried O'Rourke. "It's a bally gardner's man ye are entirely. Well, I'll work ye, Mr. Elton, anyhow. Take the wagon there, with John, and put those two palms we've missed in the proper places. I'll have them to you. When ye done, take the basket of buttonhole bouquets in time for the breakfast. Airn yer pay. Oh! but ye have made a holy show of yerself."

Frank was driven to the church, where he laid the flaming bouquets to the decoration, and then subsided to a corner. When the wedding guests and ushers arrived, he went forward and re-arranged a pot or two, and having thus impressed every one with his official character, went back to a remote pew, where he sat as a peevish spectator. But with his finger betrayed nothing, his fingers and pencil were busy on a note-book beneath the rim of the pew. He noted the dresses and positions of the many he knew, but there were strangers from abroad, and these he noted by the number of the pews. The ushers had lists, and carried every one according to a preconceived plan. How to steal one of those lists, which hung dangling from each usher's buttonhole, was a grand question. He could see no mode to do it, and gave it up.

The wedding ceremony was not half over when he slipped out, entered the house, and bade John drive to the Tomnoddy mansion. Except the cook and his assistants who were in the kitchen, no servant was visible but the young and good-looking girl who answered the bell. Telling her that he was the gardener's man who had brought the buttonholes for the breakfast table, and to see that all the flowers were properly arranged, he was ushered into the dining-room by his basket. Then he laid the bouquets by the plates, each of which had a card. These cards, the girl having gone back to the hall, he copied on his shirt-cuffs. He picked up and concealed a menu-card, and went out into the parlors, where he slightly changed the position of some vases of flowers, while he eyed them critically to the great admiration of the girl.

"They'll do, my purty darlin', I'm thinkin'," he said. "It's fine presents, I darsay, the bride do be gitten, but the sight of them is not for the likes of me."

"I'm dade, but you shall see them, thin, before they come in. They're in the next room."

Frank appeared overwhelmed at the sight.

"It's grand!" he said, "a' weeny cat to aitch."

"That's thin that sint them," said the girl. "An' their names is written down on that paper there, too. But here they come!"

She hustled Frank out, but not before he had abstracted and concealed the list. Then he opened the door for the guests. Bride, groom and all the rest passed by the back garden without notice, but old Tomnoddy stopped and stared at him. Frank's heart beat, for he had met and talked with the old gentleman several times. But he never changed color.

"It's Mike Carroll, I am, sorr. Mr. O'Rourke's man. I kem with the button-hole noserays, sir, and to see that the flowers were all proper, an' he bade me stay, an' make meself useful, as ye was short-handed, sorr."

"Ah, yes!" that's very thoughtful of Mr. O'Rourke. I thought your face seemed familiar. I must have seen you at his shop. Well, I don't know. Yes, you can be of use. If you will step in the library there, and help the gentlemen off with their great coats."

"With the greatest ease in life, sorr," replied Frank, touching his hair, where the topknot had been sheared off.

So into the library Frank went, and busied himself. The last to come in were the ushers, who were in high glee. There was good luck. After each was relieved of his light top coat, he took his list from his buttonhole.

"Hawkey, old boy," said one of them, "what'll we do with these?"

"Oh, toss 'em on the table there," said Hawkeyworth, a young man about town, whom Frank knew very well.

"But some reporter might come in, and smouch 'em, don't you know?"

"Oh, well, see here, my man, don't let any one have those cards, do ye hear?"

"Sorra a wan shall lay hands on them, but meself," said Frank, and, to keep his word, he shoved them all in his pockets as soon as the ushers went out.

Out he went, still and plenty of it. The dining-room was next to the library, and the folding doors were open about an inch. Everything in the other room could be heard. Frank was a fair stenographer, and he took down the speech first at the bride, and the bridegroom's response, and the father's speech; and then, as it was nearly twelve, thought it best to go. He went out in the hall. There was nobody there but the girl.

"That horse is onaisy," said he; "kape an eye to the coats an' hats, while I quiet the baste."

Out he went, and jumped into the wagon. "Now John," he said, "drive like the son of Nimshi to The Blazer Office."

Arrived there, he sent John and the wagon about their business, got in the elevator, and in a minute after burst into the reporter's room. They all stared at him.

"Who the deuce are you?" inquired the city editor, looking up from his table.

"I'm Sampson with my locks shorn," replied Frank, "but Sampson Agonistes after all. Here's the full and particular account of the great Tomnoddy wedding, two and a half columns at the very least. While I'm writing it up, you'd better give these out. Here's the list of the people in church, and the pews they sat in; here's the menu at breakfast."

"I'll have the speeches in full at table, list of guests, everything in a little while. The Blazer is ahead of all creation. It's a great beat. Now don't bother me. I must work."

"Well," said the editor, "that's all right; but you've made a frightful guy of yourself."

Frank wrote vigorously, and threw off his copy, and then as a galley-proof came in, he composed a flaming head, a copy of which he sent down-stairs for the bulletin.

Mr. Macaulay had been called away on some business. When he got back he found the street blocked up by a dense mass of men and boys waiting for the issuing of the first edition. He pushed his way through the mass, but paused at the bulletin board to read the following:

THE TOMNODDY-TOPLOFTY NUP-TIALS.

THE EVENT OF THE SEASON.

A FULL AND ACCURATE ACCOUNT.

COMPLETE LIST OF GUESTS.

RECHERCHE COSTUMES.

\$100,000 IN BRIDAL GIFTS.

SPEECHES AT THE WEDDING BREAKFAST.

THE "BLAZER" DEFIES COMPETITION!!!

When Frank came down-stairs he found a note on the office. All it said was—"Come and dine with us at five o'clock this afternoon."

"Us?" Happy day. He got home, dressed himself, and was at Macaulay's house ten minutes before time. Grace uttered a little scream, and indulged in a slight pout.

"How lovely mustache!" she cried, ruefully.

"It'll grow again," rejoined Frank. Frank then told how he had effected his purpose, while Grace, leaning on her father, gazed at her lover, much as Miss Desdemona might have done at General Othello.

Macaulay simply said: "You will make a great newspaper man. You have the first requisite. Your cheek is simply colossal."

"Only the modest assurance of conscious worth," replied Frank.

"I tell you what, Grace," said the old man, as they went in to dinner, "You'll have to keep a sharp eye on this young fellow, when you two are married. He'll always invent some plausible excuse for his shortcomings, and brazen it out with cool effrontery."

But Grace only laughed, and Frank echoed it. Such is the frivolity of young animals of the human species.

As for the Tomnoddys and Toploftys, they had no notion how the thing was done, but affected to be very angry that it had been done at all. But that was all sham. They were immensely pleased, and among them ordered over a thousand copies for distribution among friends and acquaintances. The account was so full, the description so brilliant, the speeches so fine,—Frank had altered their syntax a little, so that the paper went off as fast as it could be printed. The Grounder people didn't affect to be angry—they really were. They showed their vexation by hinting that the Tomnoddys and Toploftys had furnished all the information. That did them harm and The Blazer good, for it increased tacitly the latter as the "society" journal.

But Frank and Grace at least were happy. So at last was Mr. Macaulay.

—THOMAS DUNN ENGLISH.

THE SAVAGE WAY.

HOW THE INDIAN TREATS AN INJURY—OLD TIME METHODS.

The savage is emphatically the child of nature. He lives close to nature, his only education is gained in nature's school.

When the Indian receives an injury, he does not seek a cure in mineral poisons, but binds on the simple leaf, administers the herbal tea, and, with nature's aid, comes natural recovery.

Our rugged ancestors, who pierced the wilderness, built their uncouth but comfortable log cabins and started the clearings in the woods, which in time became the broad, fertile fields of the modern farmer, found in roots and herbs that lay close at hand nature's potent remedies for all their common ailments.

It was only in very serious cases they sent for old "saddle-bags" with his physick, which quite as often killed as cured. Latter day society has wandered too far away from nature, in every way, for its own good. Our grandfathers and grandmothers lived wholesome, pure,

better, healthier, more natural lives than we do. Their minds were not filled with noxious isms, nor their bodies saturated with poisonous drugs.

Is it not time to make a change, to return to the simple vegetable preparations of our grandmothers, which contained the power and potency of nature as remedial agents in all the ordinary ailments were efficacious, at least harmless?

The proprietors of Warner's Log Cabin Remedies have thought so, and have put on the market a number of these pure vegetable preparations, made from formulas secured after patient searching among the remedies of the past, so that those who want them need not be without them.

Among these Log Cabin remedies will be found "Log Cabin Sarsaparilla," for the blood; "Log Cabin Hops and Buchu Remedy," a tonic and stomach remedy; "Log Cabin Cough and Consumption Remedy," "Log Cabin Scalpina," for strengthening and renewing the hair; "Log Cabin Extract," for both external and internal application; "Log Cabin Liver Pills," "Log Cabin Rose Cream," an all but effective remedy for catarrh, and "Log Cabin Plasters." All these remedies are carefully prepared from recipes which were found, after long investigation, to have been those most successfully used by our grandmothers of "ye olden time." They are the simple, vegetable, efficacious remedies of Log Cabin days.

FROM A HOME STANDPOINT.

THE VALUE OF KANSAS FARM MORTGAGES FROM THAT POINT OF VIEW.

[From the Atchison (Kan.) Champion.]

Speaking of Kansas farm mortgages, the records show that while Kansas owes on farm mortgages about \$235,000,000, Illinois owes \$1,000,000,000; Indiana, \$635,000,000; Iowa, \$567,000,000; Michigan, \$500,000,000; Wisconsin, \$357,000,000; and Ohio, \$1,127,000,000. So that, after all, Kansas is not so heavily in debt as some of its envious rivals are endeavoring to make it appear. It is true that Kansas is much the youngest State named, but it is also best able to carry its debt, and that the proportion of our indebtedness to that of the States enumerated is much smaller and far less burdensome.

Our lands have been mortgaged at about one third their minimum value, while those of the States referred to have been mortgaged at over one half of their value. Our farms are small. Our lands, mortgaged at a very low valuation, at a time when the prices of lands were 20 per cent lower than at present, and upon the basis of partially developed capabilities, without taking into account, to say the least, their future almost unlimited productive capabilities, are constantly and rapidly increasing home and foreign markets, the phenomenal increase of our population, our annually extended facilities for transportation, and the inevitable certainty that for 25 years to come our debt-paying power will increase year by year.

Increased and more thorough cultivation, supplemented by manufacturing industries, like the sorghum and beet sugar, the salt and silk, the canning and flouring, the cotton and iron mills—each and all of which are sure to develop into profitable magnitude—are a much safer and more profitable investment for capitalists than are similar investments in the States east of us.

Kansas will for years to come be increasing her power of liquidation, while States like Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Michigan will be decreasing theirs. The difference between Kansas and the older States, in this and many other respects, is just the difference between a vigorous young man of splendid physique, in perfect health, full of energy and enterprise, with glorious opportunities and the money-making faculty developed to the highest degree, and an old man, whose usefulness is largely past, whose opportunities are numbered, whose ambition is gratified, and whose future is too limited for successful endeavor.

Kansas may owe \$235,000,000 on farm mortgages, but this seemingly large indebtedness is in about the same ratio to her ability to meet her obligations that one is to one hundred.

A MELANCHOLY VIEW

OF THE SEVEN DISTINCT MUNICIPALITIES IN NEWTON.

The Boston correspondent of the Hingham Journal takes a very pessimistic view of affairs in Newton. He writes: Municipal Reform seems to be catching among the suburban cities, such as Cambridge and Newton. The people, or a certain class who think they are the people, are clamoring for some change. What they want would be more difficult to define than what they have and what they can't have.

"I can't practically speak much of the administration of affairs in Boston beyond the fact that the streets are fearfully neglected and abominably dirty. Of Cambridge I know nothing. But I live in Newton, and have, off and on, for forty years. When it was a town it was the best governed town, excepting Brookline, in the Commonwealth."

Though comparatively one of the youngest cities in the State, it has attained a reputation for mismanagement and extravagance that would have made Boss Tweed leave the place.

There are seven distinct municipalities within the limits of Newton, and each is governed by a local ring for purely local interests and without the least regard to the good of the whole. Tell about the ring rule in Boston! Why, it is a blessing to the poor man and the modest tax-payer along the ring rule in Newton. If the two differ in degree, so far as ability is concerned, the odds are on the side of Boston. And yet this is claimed as one of the model cities.

The Almighty once told the Jews that they would curse the day, clothed in rags and shod in sandals, they prayed for a king and the king was granted. If the truth should be known, the populations in most of the new inland cities have cursed the day the Governor of the Commonwealth approved the charter making their once peaceful backwater a city.

All honor to the good old town of Brookline that she still believes in the local forms of government established by the fathers.

I have not used all of one bottle yet. I suffered from catarrh for twelve years, experiencing the nastiest dripping in the throat peculiar to that disease, and nose bleed almost daily. I tried various remedies without benefit until I saw Dr. J. H. Schenck's advertisement in the Boston Budget. I procured a bottle, and since the first day's use have had no more bleeding—the soreness is entirely gone.—D. J. Davidson, with the Boston Budget, formerly with Boston Journal.

## What Not to Say.

"Stopping" for staying. As, "He is stopping with us," for "He is staying with us."

"Right away," for immediately. "Come right away" should be "come at once," or immediately.

"Some," for about or probably. "It is some five miles to town," should be "It is about five miles," etc.

"Storms," for rains or snows. Storm is an atmospheric disturbance, and has reference to air and wind.

"Nice," for pretty, good, etc. "That is nice, he is a nice boy, isn't she nice?" etc. Something nice is delicate, exact, as a nice point in discussion.

"Try and come, do write," etc., for try to come, do write, etc. "I shall try and come to see you soon," should be, "I shall try to come," etc.

"Just as soon," for just as lief. "I would just as soon do it as not," should be, "I would just as lief do it," etc. Soon means in a short time, not rather.

"Posted," for informed. As, "He is not posted on that matter, post him on the subject." Post means to put up a sign, or to drop a letter in the post-office.

"Guess," for suppose, or think. "I guess that is right," should be "I think," etc. Guess means to hit at random, as, "I can't guess how many cents you have."

"Party," for person. Party is a gathering of people, not an individual. "Who is that party?" when one is meant should be, "Who is that person or individual?"

"Drive," for to take riding. "He took his carriage and drove me to town," He rode the horse, but not me. It should be, "He took me to town in his carriage."

"Funny," for odd, strange. As, "It seems very funny to me that he does not come," should be, "it seems very strange," etc. Funny is something amusing, full of fun.

"Depot," for station. "I will go to the Allentown depot, should be, 'I will go to the Allentown station.' A depot is a terminal point. Station a place along the route.—(New York Mail and Express.

A Bright Scholar.

A little girl who has just entered school yesterday jubilantly announced to her father that she turned down all the girls above her in the arithmetic class and went ahead.

"That was smart in you," said he, exonerately. "How was it?"

"Well, you see, Miss Maggie asked the girl at the head how much was 8 and 5, and she didn't know and said 12; then the next girl said 9, and the next one said 11, and the next one said 14. Such silly answers! Then Miss Maggie asked me, and I said 13, and Miss Maggie told me to be quiet."

"Course it was 13," said the father. "I didn't think you could add so well. How did you know it was 13?"

"Why, I guessed it; nobody said 13!"—[Nashville American.

Many New Ideas

In the home cure of diseases, accidents, and how to treat them, and many hints of value to the sick will be found in Dr. Kaufmann's great medical work, elegant illustration. Send 2-cent stamps to A. E. Ordway & Co., Boston, Mass., and receive a copy free.

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#### NEWTON CENTRE.

—Mr. C. C. Barton is in Boston for the winter.  
—Mr. Wm. O. Knapp's youngest child is dangerously ill.

—Miss Emma Dunbar is again confined to her room by illness.

—Mr. Geo. Ellis's new ice houses have gone up very fast by Crystal Lake.

—Miss Foote, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Sanborn.

—The foundations of a house for Mr. Geo. Rice have been laid near Summer street.

—Dr. Mary E. Bates has been unanimously elected an active member of the Boston Gynaecological Society.

—Mr. Pope of Needham has purchased a piece of land on Ridge avenue, adjoining Mr. Reed's lot, and intends to build in the Spring.

—Miss Anna Ellis of Station street, who was so unfortunate as to sprain her ankle last week, was able to be out to church Sunday.

—The Rev. James de Normandie will preach in the Unitarian church Sunday evening. Service begins at 7.15. All are cordially invited.

—Mrs. Chas. Heustis will, if possible, start the last of this week for Denver, Col., where her daughter, Mrs. Braddock W. Crocker, is ill.

—Mr. H. S. Williams will offer on Monday in Farnham's block, Beacon street, an attractive display of Christmas goods. For particulars see adv.

—The Neighbors' Club met at Rev. B. K. Pierce's, Crescent avenue, on Monday evening. An able essay was read by Mr. Edward H. Mason, who took for his subject, "Newton Taxes." A discussion followed.

—An elegant little dancing party was given on Monday evening by Miss Ethel Hunter, of Lake avenue, in behalf of the "Six of Clubs." Just before the supper a pretty German figure was danced, of which the favors were hot-house roses.

—The fair held at Mrs. Thomas Nickerson's on Centre street, last Saturday and Monday, was a success. The children showed a great deal of enthusiasm in getting together so many pretty things in so short a time, and their success was well earned.

—As Coachman Colman was driving a carriage containing Mr. Harry Mason along Lyman street on Monday evening, the carriage collided with a stone cart, throwing the occupants out, but not injuring them or the carriage to any extent.

—The mud during the week has been so bad in front of the new post office that the citizens have been obliged to go around the open space instead of crossing it as usual. This would be an opportunity for the Improvement Society to improve.

—The wedding of Mr. John Alden Daniels, of Warren street, and Miss Julia Farnsworth, of Portland, Me., took place at the residence of the bride's father on Spring street, at 3 p. m., Dec. 7. Mr. Charles Stearns, of this place, was best man, and fulfilled his duties admirably. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels will come to Boston shortly, where they will reside.

—Rev. Samuel Barnes was tendered a reception in Associates' Hall on Wednesday evening, about three hundred of his parishioners, old and young, welcoming him to his new home. After an hour spent socially, Mr. Barnes offered prayer, and the company enjoyed the excellent collation provided. Both pastor and people enjoyed a very pleasant evening and became mutually acquainted.

—Helen Rand, a beautiful child of nine years, and the daughter of Mr. George Rand formerly of this village, was accidentally shot in New York on Dec. 5. She was sitting in her mother's lap when a bullet passing through the window entered her brain, killing her. The pistol from which the bullet came was fired by a man some distance away, who took this method of unloading it. This should be a lesson to the boys of this city who are so careless in the use of fire-arms. This carelessness was illustrated last Saturday or Sunday, when a bullet from an unknown source entered the window in Dr. Hovey's house, leaving its mark in the shape of a small round hole in the glass.

—A large congregation listened to Rev. Mr. Barnes' initial sermon in Associates' Hall last Sunday morning. Before beginning his discourse, the speaker said it had been a week since he had severed his connection with the church in Pittsburg, and that he was greatly pleased this morning to call them his dear people, and to feel that he was once more in a church home. The sermon which followed was an able and eloquent one, and was contained in 1 Corinthians, 10-13, a subject peculiarly appropriate for a church which had been without a pastor for nearly two years. The speaker said that it was not only necessary to stand steadfast in the faith, but to go forward. Mr. Barnes made the point very clear in his statement clear to the youngest even of his hearers. It is safe to say that Mr. Barnes has made a very favorable impression, and the people feel assured that the gospel will be preached every Sunday in Associates' Hall.

—The First Baptist Church, the pastorate of which Rev. Mr. Barnes has assumed, was founded in 1880, and was one of the early Baptist churches in Massachusetts. Eight pastors have been in charge during the century and more of its existence. Rev. Caleb Blood was the first minister from 1780 to 1788. After having preached seventeen Sundays to the satisfaction of the congregation, Rev. Joseph Grafton, "Father Grafton" as he was fondly called, was ordained as pastor, and served until his death in 1836. An assistant, Rev. Frederick A. Willard, was appointed in 1835. Following the financial troubles of 1837, Prof. Ripley temporarily filled the pulpit. Rev. S. F. Smith, the author of "America," was pastor from 1842 to 1854. Rev. O. S. Stearns, now a professor in the Institution, from 1855 to 1868; Rev. W. N. Clarke, of Keene, N. H., 1869 to 1880; Rev. Mr. Braslin, now pastor of a large church in Brooklyn, from 1880 to 1887. Of the eight pastors four are living and four have joined the silent majority.

#### Holiday Goods

In great variety are offered on the bargain tables of Clark, Adams & Clark's store, 65 and 67 Franklin street, Boston. His firm goes out of business before Jan. 1, and fine china and glass ware can here be obtained at low prices. See adv.

#### NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—The Monday Club met with Mrs. T. C. Lowe this week.

—We hear of some new cases of scarlet fever at the Highlands.

—Mr. C. H. Young has commenced a cellar for another house on Tappan Place.

—The Chautauqua Club met with Mrs. Chas. P. Clark, Jr., on Monday of this week.

—The Hospital Aid Society will meet at West Newton next Tuesday at 3 o'clock p. m.

—The officers of the Woman's Relief Corps will be installed at Newtonville next Thursday.

—The Newton Christian Endeavor Union will meet with the society here, at the Congregational chapel next Monday evening.

—The Monday Club will give a reception at the Congregational chapel next Wednesday evening, to the members of the families represented in the club.

—The Sunday School held a very enjoyable Sheet and Pillow Case party at the house of Miss Lillian Manson last Friday evening. Dancing was the order of the evening.

—The president of the Newton Indian Association, Mr. J. W. Davis of Newton, presented a very delightful account of his visit among the Indians of Dakota, at the Congregational church last Sunday evening.

—The building near the upper end of Hartford street, which has been standing partially finished for the past year or more, is being taken down, and the material used in the process of building a house near by.

—The collections taken to make up the shortage for the year to meet expense account of the Congregational society and St. Paul's parish, amounted in each case to about one hundred and seventy dollars, and additional contributions are being received during the week.

—The house being built for Mr. Vivian Greenwood on Bowdoin street, by Mr. H. G. Higley, builder, of Boston, caught fire on Wednesday evening, on account of an overheated furnace pipe. The fire was extinguished before the arrival of the steam fire engines. The damage is estimated at about six hundred dollars, and was insured.

—The Congregational Sewing Circle held their meeting at the chapel on Wednesday afternoon. In the evening collation was served, to which all the members of the congregation were invited, after which a sociable followed and an entertainment consisting of recitations by Master Gott, and a spelling match. Mr. J. R. Smith, in an appropriate manner presented a prize to Mr. W. B. Wood.

—At the municipal election held on Tuesday, Mr. George F. Bates was re-elected alderman without opposition. For councilman, Mr. F. J. Hale of Upper Falls and Mr. E. H. Greenwood of the Highlands were declared elected. We hear that a recount of the vote for councilman for the Highlands will be called for. Mr. E. H. Greenwood received one hundred and sixty-four votes, and Mr. E. J. Hyde one hundred and fifty-four votes, according to the ward returns.

—Announcement is made of a Parlor Concert in aid of St. Paul's parish, to be held Monday evening, Dec. 19, at the residence of Mr. H. P. Ayer, Hartford street. The program includes numbers by Miss H. S. Whittier, so well known from her long connection with Grace church, Miss Etta J. Allen, "Contralto"; Mr. C. Frank Hunting, Tenor and Mr. H. P. Ayer, Baritone. Miss Caroline Pond, Pianist, and Miss Mary Folger, Elocutionist. Accompaniments by Mr. F. H. Wood, the organist at Grace church, Newton. The excellence of the program and cause for which the concert is given will undoubtedly attract more people than can be accommodated in the parlors. A few tickets remain unsold and can be had of Rev. C. P. Mills or of Mr. Ayer.

#### NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—There are still a few cases of scarlet fever, and during the week one case has proved fatal.

—The Baptist Sunday School have recently obtained a new piano to be used by them in their school.

—The Young Peoples' society propose to celebrate their first anniversary on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21.

—Hose 7 had a chance to exercise on election day, having a run to Newton Highlands in answer to an alarm from Box 64.

—Mr. Hugh Kelley has bought the Horace Bacon estate on Chestnut street, so long occupied as a residence by Mr. C. H. Noyes.

—The proposed fair of the Quinebequin Association is well under way, and the committee having it in charge will, after the holidays, see to it that all are invited to be interested in the project.

—The Good Templars of Massachusetts are issuing petitions to the legislature, praying that the sale of intoxicating liquors be prohibited on all legal holidays. Several of these petitions are now in the hands of prominent temperance people of our village awaiting signature.

—On Thursday of last week, Mrs. Chas. A. Gould of this place met with a very serious accident. While getting on a horse car in Boston, a passing team knocked her down and ran over her, inflicting quite severe bruises. At present she is comfortable and slowly improving.

—The city election did not pass as quietly as many had anticipated. There was quite a rivalry between Messrs. Hyde and Greenwood for the council, resulting in the choice of Mr. Greenwood by majority. Mayor Kimball carried the ward by his usual majority. It is said that Mr. Hyde will ask for a recount.

—On Sunday evening there was a memorial service at the Baptist church in honor of Mr. John B. Finch, the great temperance worker and orator. Rev. B. L. Whitman presided, and remarks were made by Rev. Mr. Peterson of the Methodist church, Mr. L. G. Curry, our fellow townsman, and by Mr. Edgar Whittemore of Boston. Mr. Whittemore was the only one that was a stranger to an Upper Falls audience. He is a gentleman of pleasing address, forcible and convincing in his logic, and the large audience was greatly interested in his remarks. The other speakers were very entertaining and instructive. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Good Templars of this place.

One of the chief differences between man and woman is that the man will carry home a fourteen-pound turkey, and a woman will have a paper of needles sent home in a big red wagon. —[Puck.]

#### The City Government.

The Board of Aldermen met Tuesday evening to receive the returns from the election, and to transact the regular business.

Before the meeting the lobby and adjoining rooms were filled with citizens who had gathered to congratulate Mayor Kimball, and his appearance was the signal for enthusiastic cheering.

The board was called to order about 8.30, and at that time the returns from all the wards but Three and Five had been received. The latter is always late, on account of the distance from City Hall, but the delay in the Ward Three returns was unusual, and suggested that the counters were having a hard struggle over the many split tickets, pasters and independent tickets in the field.

After the returns from the five wards that had reported were received, the board transacted regular business.

The hearings appointed on the acceptance by the city of Ridge avenue, Edinboro street, Tappan Place and Putnam street, were opened, but no one appeared save in regard to the latter street.

Mr. Frost objected to the name, as it was not a continuation of the other Putnam street, and the name might lead to confusion. He suggested that as it had been known as Prince street, that name should be retained. The suggestion was adopted and the street will be known as Prince street.

Mr. Bush also favored the name of Prince street, and stated that the survey took off a large slice from his corner lot, which he did not think necessary, as there was no reason for so much of a rounded corner. The lot was too narrow already.

Alderman Nickerson said that it was one of the conditions of the acceptance of new streets, that the corners should be properly rounded off, and it only took in all 40 square feet of land.

Mr. Bush said that he did not wish his objection to stand in the way of the acceptance of the street, but he valued the land at a much higher price than any damages that would be awarded him would equal.

The matter was finally referred again to the highway committee.

Alderman Grant was then called to the chair, Mayor Kimball's presence being required at the adjournment meeting at Newtonville.

Alderman Ward presented the petition of residents of Ballard street, Newton Centre, running from Ward to Centre streets, for the acceptance of the street as a public highway.

Alderman Nickerson reported orders from the Highway committee, in response to numerous signed petitions, for the laying out of Park Place, off Washington Park, Newtonville; Prospect street, off Washington street; Station avenue, from Lak to E. & A. R. grounds, Newton Highlands; and hearings were appointed for Monday, Dec. 19, before the board of aldermen, and Wednesday, Dec. 28, before the common council, at 8 p. m.

Orders were passed for the laying out, grading, and acceptance of Tappan Place, Ward 5, and Edinboro street, from Walnut to Lowell, Ward 2.

An order was passed that the City Treasurer be authorized to credit to the appropriation for Highway general repairs, \$396.32, the amount received for labor performed and materials sold, and also to credit to the same appropriation the amounts received for the construction of Allston street, and the material sold.

A number of bills were read and approved.

#### Funeral of a Very Aged Person.

The bells of Grace church tolled on Monday afternoon for the burial services of one of the oldest persons ever living in Newton.

Mrs. Mary M. Thomas came to this country from Ireland about thirty years ago. She was then sixty years old, so that at the time of her death she was over ninety. She was a communicant of Grace church, and when she lived at Newton Centre she thought nothing of walking over regularly to attend the services. One of her sons, Mr. John Thomas, is a resident of Newton, the other, Mr. Patrick Thomas, has long lived in Brookline. Among the other points in the address delivered at the funeral services, Dr. Shinn remarked that one of the most suggestive chapters in the Bible is that one which has the words "and he died," appended to the names of those who in the olden times lived long. We are reminded that the longer we live, the more years the period comes when it shall be said "and he died." The remains of Mrs. Thomas were interred in the Grace church lot in the old cemetery on Centre street.

#### The Woman's Relief Corps.

The organization of a Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to Chas. Ward Post, 62, G. A. R. has been most successfully accomplished, and much interest is manifested in the instituting of the corps, and the installation of the officers, which takes place at Grand Army Hall, Newtonville, Dec. 15. There are already nearly one hundred and fifty ladies, who have signed as charter members, and there is but little doubt of the corps starting off with a membership of two hundred. The arrangements for the instituting and installation mark the occasion as the event of the year, in the social circle of Newton. The instituting will take place in the afternoon, at which only charter members will be present. In the evening the installation of officers will take place and a reception held, to which Chas. Ward Post 62, the Mayor and city council, and prominent citizens. It is expected nearly five hundred persons will be present. The officers to be installed are: Pres., Dr. Mary E. Bates; Sen. Vice, Mrs. Florence King; Jun. Vice, Mrs. Emma A. Diamond; Sec. Mrs. Marianne D. Hills; Treas., Mrs. Sarah A. Carter; Chaplain, Mrs. Kathleen M. Phipps; Conductor, Mrs. J. M. H. Smith; Guard, Mrs. Marianne D. Hills.

All ladies who have signed the application for a charter must be present, in order to become charter members. First tramp—"Hello, Jim, where have you been so long?" Second tramp—"In Kansas City." What do you mean? "Visiting the mayor and other big bugs. Had a bully time." "I sh'd say so. How did you get in with them?" "I told 'em I'd tramp all over the world, and Kansas City was bigger'n London an' Paris put together." —[Omaha World.]

#### Good Manners.

It is not necessary to study books on etiquette to learn the principles of good breeding. These principles ought to be worked into the every day training of all young people, and so to become part of their lives. It is mortifying to see so many exhibitions of bad manners on the part of people from whom very different conduct should be expected. For example, the members of a certain organization invited a vocalist to sing at one of their social entertainments; judge of the surprise of a visitor when he saw leading members of that organization busily engaged in conversation during the vocalist's rendering of a song.

On another occasion two prominent persons during the progress of a discussion in which they were supposed to be deeply interested, paid no attention whatever to the speakers but occupied the time in idle chat about something entirely different.

Of course when it came time to vote they voted. Whether they understood the merits of the question or not is not stated.

At a recent concert while nearly every one was listening with delighted interest to a performer some young women kept up a talk that annoyed all the people in their vicinity.

These glaring cases of bad breeding lead one to think that some grown up people either ought not to appear in public gatherings without some one with them to see that they behave properly, or should stay at home until they have learned a few points about good conduct. X.

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—Miss Emma Pratt is very ill again.

—Mr. James Converse arrived home from the West last Saturday evening.

—Mr. Geo. F. Wright's young child, which has been dangerously ill, is slowly improving.

—The great handkerchief sale at Francis Murdock & Co's is attracting a large crowd of buyers.

—The windows of the Newton Bazaar and of James Paxton indicate the rapid approach of Christmas.

—Dr. E. B. Hitchcock has been elected one of the executive committee of the Massachusetts Dental Society.

—Julius Caesar was the subject before the Shakespeare Club, which was entertained by Miss Page on Monday evening.

—Miss Morse, who lately returned from Europe, received some Newton friends at her studio in Boston on Saturday evening.

—Ground has been broken on the old Jennison estate on Pearl street for two dwellings, one for Mr. A. G. Tupper and the other for Mr. Jas. Irvin.

—Hotel Hunnewell looks very attractive in its new coat of paint and its well kept grounds and large lawns make it one of the most attractive estates in the city.

—A letter from a prominent Newton citizen, now in Southern California, will have special interest for many of our readers. It will be found on another page.

—Mr. Moses King of this city, together with Mr. Thomas W. Lawson, another stockholder, has bought out Mr. Avery L. Rand's interest in the Rand Avery company.

—About a score of the members of the Newton Bicycle Club met at the International House, Boston, for the regular monthly meeting, which was unusually pleasant on this occasion.

—The question of changing the hour of the Eliot church Sunday School from 9.30 a. m. to 12 o'clock has been discussed of late, but the school voted by a very large majority not to change the hour.

—Mr. Edward H. Mansfield of Newton has been elected treasurer of the Boston Wesleyan University club, to which Rev. Dr. Pierce, Prof. Lindsay of Auburnville, and other Newton gentlemen belong.

—The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tolman, Jr., celebrated the tenth anniversary of their marriage at their residence on Brighton Hill, last week, the affair being a pleasant surprise to them.

—The prayer meeting committee of the Eliot Christian Endeavor Society is busy planning the meetings for the coming year. It is hoped that all will do their share toward making these meetings successful.

—Attention is called to the announcement of the Newton High School Chorus of their first concert, which will be found in another column. The society is certainly worthy of the support and co-operation of all interested in our public schools.

—Miss Luther pleasantly entertained a number of friends from different parts of the city on Monday evening. The occasion was a "progressive party," one table being devoted to dominoes, another to jackstones and the other to various games.

—A Newton correspondent furnished this for the Boston Globe's column of bright sayings of children: "Little Frankie, aged 4, came into the room whistling where his maiden aunt was sitting. She to tease him, said, 'Isn't it funny, boys can whistle and girls can't?' He answered: 'Perhaps if you get married you can; my mamma can.'"

—The Congregational Club will meet at West Newton next Monday evening, and the topic for discussion has been chosen with reference to the day, the Monday preceding Forefathers Day, and is "The self-denying spirit of the Pilgrim Fathers the demand of the present hour." Rev. Ruen Thomas, D. D., of Brookline will make the opening address.

—It is hoped that some public spirited citizen will purchase the two old houses between Nonantum street and the Nonantum House, and put the property in good condition. The location would be an excellent one for a business block, or for a block of medium priced houses. Either would prove a great addition to that portion of the city.

—The annual meeting of the Eliot Sunday School teachers occurred Tuesday evening. Mr. Cobb and several other officers declining to serve again, new officers were elected. The roll of officers is as follows: Superintendent, Mr. John Byers; assistant, Mr. George Agry, Jr.; superintendent of primary department, Mr. D. B. O. Bourdon; assistant, Mr. Chas. Bacon; librarian, Mr. Ed. Bacon; secretary and treasurer, Mr. John Byers, Jr.

—Many friends will learn with regret of the death of Miss Caroline S. Capen, for many years a resident of this village. Miss Capen was a daughter of the late John Capen, who resided in the large old fashioned house on the corner of Washington and St. James streets. The house is still owned by his heirs, the deceased being among them. For several years Miss Capen had been a resident of Brookline, in which town her death occurred last Friday. The funeral was from the chapel of the Harvard Street Baptist church on Monday.

—The Boston Journal of Education says of a well known resident of this city: "Henry C. Haddon, of the Shurtleff school, whom the State Teachers' Association elected president last week, is one of the most widely and favorably known of the Boston masters. He is one of the most independent, one of the best traveled, one of the most social of the fraternity. He is a good writer, and a good talker, is said to be a good presiding officer, and has the acquaintance and executive ability that will furnish a first-class program."

—It is probably known to but a small proportion of our citizens what great use is made of the Public Library by students in addition to the regular drawing of books by the ordinary readers to be used at home, there are persons who frequent the building to spend hours in consulting volumes for special purposes. Sometimes clergymen will be found there gathering together materials for sermons. Teachers making ready for the next week's work, and members of clubs studying the topics assigned for essays. The authorities of the library regard this as one of the highest and best uses to which the books and periodicals

can be put, and are always ready to provide every facility for such students.

—Miss Lillie Clement of Franklin, N. H., is visiting Mrs. Dr. Frisbie.

—Received this day new holiday goods from New York, at the Newton Bazar.

—A nearly new pool table is offered for sale at a great bargain, in the business notices.

—The annual meeting of Eliot Lodge, K. of H., for the election of officers, will be held next Monday evening.

—Mrs. J. C. Gove of New York, and Miss Prout of Westfield, are staying with Mrs. Dr. Reed for medical treatment.

—Rev. H. G. Spalding made an address before the Unity club in Boston, Thursday evening, on "The Study of Art."

—Prof. John Fiske lectures on "The Puritan Exodus" before the Channing Literary Union, next Thursday evening. See adv.

—The Woman Suffrage Bazar at Music Hall, Boston, is a decided success this year and has attracted a large number of Newton visitors.

—Mrs. Abbie E. Thayer, Christian Scientist, who practices the methods taught by Mrs. Mary B. G. Eddy, has a card in another column.

—The Christmas music in Grace church promises to be very beautiful, both in the morning and in the evening of the 25th. The church will be finely decorated for the festival.

—Mr. Charles F. Rand reports the sale of the homestead estate of C. J. Bailey, on Newville avenue, in Saml. H. Rand of Boston, who will make this his residence next month.

—The Sunday School of Grace church have its Christmas entertainment on Wednesday the 28th, from 7 to 9 p. m., in the parish house. Admission will be by tickets distributed next Sunday.

—The course of Advent Sermons on Sunday evenings in Grace church has been very well attended. The closing sermon will be by the Rev. Edward Abbott, who is well known as a most interesting speaker.

—There will be a Union Service in the Baptist church, Watertown, next Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. in behalf of a better observance of the Lord's Day. An address will be delivered by Mrs. James Earle.

—There will be five services in Grace church on Christmas Day. The first will be in the chapel at 8.30 a. m., after which it is expected there will be the unveiling of the three new memorial windows. Other services will be at 10.45 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., with a Baptismal service in the afternoon at 4.

—Mr. Levi B. Gay moved into his new house on Franklin street, this week, and Mr. Chas. F. Rand will sell at auction next Monday at 2 p. m., at Mr. Gay's former residence, a quantity of household furniture, two carriages, and other articles, which are enumerated in an advertisement in another column.

—The company of Newton people who toured together in the South-west and Mexico, held a pleasant reunion at the residence of Mr. C. E. Billing, Franklin street, on Wednesday evening. Hon. and Mrs. Levi C. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Clapp, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sawyer and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Potter were present.

—The newly elected officers of Channing Council No. 76, Royal Arcanum, are: Regent, Charles A. Gregg; Vice Regent, Arthur Hudson; Orator, J. E. Hills; Secretary, J. G. Tait; Collector, W. H. Pearson; Treasurer, Frank L. Clark; Guide, R. J. Morrissey; Chaplain, A. G. Wagstaff; Warden, Edward Pike; Sentry, W. A. Prescott.

—Mr. H. B. Wells has presented to Channing church Sunday School a fine crayon portrait of the late Deacon Claflin, handsomely framed in oak and bronze, and it was hung upon the walls of the school room last Sunday, where it will serve as a memorial of one who was so long identified with the church and Sunday School, and who did so much for both.

—With the increase of travel on the railroads in Newton it becomes more and more desirable that the rule be adopted and enforced requiring people leaving the cars to get out by the forward platform, and those entering to do so by the rear platform. The delaying of those coming out by people who are in too great a hurry to get in would be effectually stopped in this way.

—The Newton & Watertown Gas Co. have just completed a tar and ammonia liquor well 40 feet in diameter, which was originally a gas holder tank for the first holder ever built by the company. The new well affords an additional storage capacity for the tar, and also for the ammonia water which results from the conversion of coal into gas. Extensive arrangements are being made to save and manufacture the ammonia water, which has formerly been lost, into the ammonia of commerce.

—There will be a vesper service at the Channing church, next Sunday evening, Dec. 18th, at 7.30, to which all are cordially invited. The following selections will be used:—

Organ Prelude, Lefebure Wely.  
Te Deum in G, J. Baptiste Calkins.  
Vocal Solo, "Ye Sufferers," Dr. Roberts.  
Anthem, "How Beautiful on the Mountains," G. W. Marston.  
Response, "God is a Spirit," W. S. Bennett.  
Offering, "Melodie" in E♭, Chopin.  
Hymn 106 for Quartette, Gounod.  
Anthem, "Glory to Thee," Gounod.  
Organ Postlude in F Major, Baliste.

The next vesper service will be given January 15.

—Misses Brown and Riley received about seventy friends on Friday evening, at the residence of the former, on Elbridge street. Many were in full evening dress, and the spacious parlors presented a brilliant appearance. Following the reception a musicale was given, the selections being of a high order and well rendered. The following program was presented:—

Violin Solo, "Priests' March," Neddie Warner.  
Vocal Solo, "Longing," Miss Riley.  
Vocal Solo, "Ye Sufferers," Mr. Burnett.  
Vocal Solo, "When the Flowing Tide Comes In," Miss Fogwell.  
Vocal Selection, Mr. Drake.  
Piano Solo, "Romance," Miss Daggett.  
Vocal Solo, "Beggart Maid," Miss Sibbey.  
Vocal Solo, "Glory," Mr. Burnett.  
Duet, "The Harp and the Willow," Mr. and Miss Drake.  
Vocal Solo, "Forever and Ever," Miss Drake.

—Nothing like this weather has been known here for fifteen years. The mercury has been below the freezing

point but seven times this winter. In 1885, up to the 12th of December the mercury had been below freezing three days out of the 12, and in 1886 it fell below every day of the month. The promised cold waves this year have been very mild ones, but if people only have a little patience it is predicted that the weather will be cold enough to satisfy them, as we generally have just so much cold, whether it comes early or late.

—The Eliot Christian Endeavor society held a very successful pound party Thursday evening. A large number, considering the inclement weather, were present, and the prices realized were large. Mrs. Niles entertained the company with vocal selections and Miss Blanche Rice with instrumental music.

—It would make a most interesting study for some one who has the time and inclination to take up the topic of Club life in Newton. Although we have only about 20,000 people it is probable that there is about as large a number of clubs in successful operation among us, as in many places where the population is much larger. The variety is also very great, extending all the way from clubs that wrestle learnedly with the deepest themes, down to those whose object is simply an evening's amusement. It is a source of great gratification that we are free from drinking clubs, and long may we be spared that infliction.

—At the Y. M. C. A. meeting last Sunday afternoon, notwithstanding the unpleasant weather, the attendance was large, to listen to Rev. E. A. Capen, of Watertown. His discourse was very interesting in character, from the text: "And Paul said, I would to God that not only thou but also all that hear me this day, were both almost and altogether such as I am, except these bonds." Acts 26-29. How can we bring others to Christ, was the theme. Next Sunday Mr. H. P. Kenway will conduct the services. Praise meeting at 3.45 p. m.

—The Newton Circle, C. L. S. C. met last Monday evening. The exercises consisted of singing, prayer and roll-call with quotations from Longfellow and Whittier. The American History reviewed covered the period from the French and Indian Wars to the Declaration of Independence. The lesson was supplemented by a reading of the Declaration of Independence, and an essay on the United States Government. An interesting article entitled the first Thanksgiving Proclamation was also read. One member of the Circle spoke on Oriental Life in Palestine. The new members were admitted, making a total membership of fourteen.

—The class in Short Hand, recently formed at the Bigelow School, is making rapid progress. It consists of young ladies and young gentlemen just entering upon the active duties of life, and they are thoroughly in earnest. Several students come from Newtonville, and one from Newton Lower Falls, beside those from this immediate vicinity. If the young people of this city realized what a rare opportunity this is to acquire a useful and paying accomplishment, the class would soon double in size. Mr. S. G. Greenwood has proved himself an enthusiastic and efficient teacher, and when the course is completed his class will be a credit to him. It meets every Tuesday and Thursday evening.

## The Read Fund Lecture.

"Good digestion is the key to perfect health" said Dr. Mary E. Bates at her second lecture in the Read Fund course, Tuesday night. Taking this as her text the lecturer went on to describe the process of digestion, using a great many illustrations which were thrown upon the screen by Mr. Black of Boston. The pictures were excellently brought out and aided by the lecturer's graphic descriptions the audience gained a very clear view of the physiological aspect of the subject, the functions of the several organs, and the fundamental principles of health. The importance of thorough mastication of food was dwelt upon as the first requisite of a good digestion, and also the necessity of taking time for meals. We have been called a nation of dyspeptics, and dyspepsia arises in the first place from the habit Americans have of bolting their food. The lecturer also showed a chart illustrating the properties of different foods, and closed by an earnest and eloquent plea for temperance. The audience was a large one and the witty stories used to illustrate the points made were received with enthusiastic applause. The whole subject was treated in a popular and very instructive manner and such lectures are calculated to do great good, especially to the large number of young people who attend the Read fund course. The last lecture by Dr. Bates will be given next Tuesday evening.

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All smokers should not fail to try Estabrook & Eaton's La Rosa Perfecta Cigars, for sale by G. Wilkins Shaw.

Hubbard & Procter have a fine show of cut glass bottles in their window, which they are selling at very low prices.

The residents in the vicinity of Reservoir Station are in favor of changing its name to "Englewood," and it is probable that this appellation will be adopted upon the completion of the handsome station now being built.



## CITY GOVERNMENT.

## THE ALDERMEN DECLARE THE RESULT OF THE ELECTION.

Both branches of the City Council were in session at City Hall, Monday night, the board of aldermen holding a special meeting to declare the result of the recent election. All the members were present, including a majority of the new men. Very little business was transacted in either branch beyond reports of committees in the board of aldermen and concurrent action in the common council. The contested election case in Ward 5 was decided by a recount which showed that E. H. Greenwood had 11 votes more than Elliott J. Hyde.

## IN DETAIL.

In the board of aldermen the petition for a recount of the votes for councilman in Ward 5 was received and read, and 7.45 o'clock appointed for the recount. Notices were served by the city clerk upon E. H. Greenwood and Elliott J. Hyde, both of whom were present, and at the hour appointed the election committee, Aldermen Pettie and Nickerson, together with Aldermen Johnson and Hollis, proceeded to the recount, and it was found that E. H. Greenwood had 41, Ebenezer H. Greenwood had 124, making a total of 165; Elliott J. Hyde had 154. Mr. Greenwood was declared elected.

## OTHER MATTERS.

Alderman Nickerson reported from the Highway committee several orders, legalizing work upon the streets which had been completed, in response to numerous petitions. The committee reported favorably on the petition for the relocation of Lexington street, from River street to the Waltham line; for the acceptance, laying out and grading of Middle street, from Adams to Chapel; Chapel street, from Adams to Middle street. Orders were passed setting apart Wednesday Dec. 28th, at 8 p. m. for hearings on these streets before the board of aldermen, and at 8.15 before the common council.

## THE NEW ELECTION SCHEME.

The city solicitor reported on the petitions to have all the heads of departments elected by the people, that the change did not come within the province of the City Council, but must be made by the Legislature.

## THE MORRISSEY MATTER.

Alderman Pettie reported from the fire department committee, in regard to the Richard J. Morrissey petition, as follows:

Dec. 12, 1887.  
The joint standing committee fire department, to whom was referred the petition of Richard Morrissey, for investigation of certain charges made against him by the chief of fire department, having considered the same, report that it did not appear in evidence to the committee sitting to investigate the causes of grievance, set forth in said petition, that the said Richard J. Morrissey had been cut down to \$20,000, on account of a clause in the city charter providing that only that sum should be appropriated for the purpose in any one year. This was passed in 1872, but upon consultation with the city solicitor, he gave it his opinion that the provision was overridden by the general statute passed in 1875, requiring cities to pay all bonded indebtedness in not to exceed 30 years. To do this, the appropriation would have to be \$22,000. The order was then passed.

For the committee,  
GEO. PETTIE, chairman.

## THE SINKING FUND.

Alderman Grant reported from the finance committee an order appropriating \$2,000 for the payment of water bonds for 1888, and to be charged to the tax levy of 1888.

Alderman Ward asked for an explanation, and Alderman Grant replied that the sum originally asked for in the appropriation bill was \$22,000, but it had been cut down to \$20,000, on account of a clause in the city charter providing that only that sum should be appropriated for the purpose in any one year. This was passed in 1872, but upon consultation with the city solicitor, he gave it his opinion that the provision was overridden by the general statute passed in 1875, requiring cities to pay all bonded indebtedness in not to exceed 30 years. To do this, the appropriation would have to be \$22,000. The order was then passed.

## THE CANDIDATES ELECTED.

The city clerk read the returns, showing what candidates had been elected, and he was directed to notify them of the fact.

## FOR NEXT YEAR.

Alderman Pettie reported on the petitions for new fire alarm signal boxes on the corner of Kenilworth street and Waverly avenue; on Lexington street, and at the corner of Chapel and Middle streets, stating that the committee had considered the petitions favorably but on account of the near approach of the end of the year, they recommended that the petitions be referred to the next city government.

## BILLS.

An order was passed appropriating \$44.75, to pay R. R. Risk of the Lawrence Industrial School, for the funeral expenses of Thomas Kelly, deceased, and charging the same to the miscellaneous appropriation.

The bills for the expenses of the city elections were read, and it was stated that the new law in regard to the Yes and No ballots had rendered the constant attendance of one of the assistant inspectors necessary, and it was voted that he be paid the same as the principal.

After approving some other small bills the board adjourned.

In the common council only concurrent business was transacted.

## THE TROUBLE.

Reflect those eyes despair?  
Speak they of secret sorrow?  
Those sea-d lines of care  
Grief's vesture surely borrow.  
That thin hand on the breast  
Feels a heart that's broke—  
He slaps his misers from his vest  
That watch he put in soak.  
—Lowell Citizen.

An ex-detective has been sent five years to state prison. He will have a chance to make some valuable acquaintances. —Lowell Courier.

"Let's see, your son is in college, is he not?" inquired a gentleman of an old friend. "Yes; he is in the junior class." "Doing nicely, I suppose?" "Yes. The doctor says he thinks he will be able to play half-back in the next game." —Hartford Post.

## Echoes From the Election.

(From the Boston Correspondent of the Hingham Journal)

I regret sincerely that John S. Farlow decided to decline the nomination for mayor in Newton, not that there is any real cause for complaint against the present mayor, but because I should like to have seen how the discontents and growlers have fared among themselves had a high-toned man like John S. Farlow been elected. The prospects now are that Hon. J. Wesley Kimball, who was renominated by the citizens last Saturday evening, will run over the course with little opposition. Young America is on his side, and the silver-tops, the fossils and the would-be reformers will make a very small show against this emblem of progress.

Of all the immediate suburban cities in which elections were held on Tuesday, the election of the city of Newton as a whole had the most interest—mainly, in the first place, because the mass of the people had expressed their indignation at the action of the school board in removing the late principal of the high school, or forcing his resignation; second, because the tax-payers desired a better management of affairs.

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## List of New Books.

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| A full, illustrated manual, teaching in a pleasant way the process of manufacturing all forms of household ornamentation, with home games and festivities.  |         |
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| A complete record, with portraits and illustrations, of the acts and fortunes of the navy of the Confederate States during the late war.  |         |
| Darwin, Charles. Life of. Edited by his son, Francis Darwin. 2 vols.  | 94.420  |
| These volumes are largely made up of an autobiographical record, and of the diary and letters of the great naturalist.  |         |
| Dumas, Alexandre. The Count of Monte-Christo. 5 vols. Reference Department.   |         |
| This is an elegant, royal octavo edition, with nearly five hundred illustrations, of the most noted work of the popular French novelist.  |         |
| Dyke, Henry Van, D. D. The story of the Psalms.   | 94.422  |
| The historic or personal occasion of a number of the Psalms, with their interpretation and application in the light thus thrown upon them, is given in this volume.   |         |
| Faust. Goethe's. Translated by John Auster, LL. D.  | 51.412  |
| A fresh and excellent translation, with introduction by Rev. H. R. Hawes, M. A., and by Henry Morley.   |         |
| Frey, Albert R. Sobriquets and Nicknames.   | 213.62  |
| A fresh encyclopedia of quaint names used in literature.  |         |
| Modern Ships of War. By Sir Edward J. Reed, M.P., and Edward Simpson, U. S. N.  | 105.235 |
| Descriptions of the latest experiments in naval architecture by a chief-constructor in the British Navy and a Rear Admiral in the U. S. N.  |         |
| Paton. William Agnew. Down the Islands. A voyage to the Caribbees. A fully illustrated record of a trip to and through the Windward Islands, with interesting descriptions of scenery, races, social customs, productions, etc. | 36.235  |
| Silken, Reign, the First Year of. By Andrew W. Tuer and Chas. E. Fagan.   | 90.359  |
| An extended and interesting account of the condition of England, and the leading incidents occurring in the first year of the reign of Queen Victoria.  |         |
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| Collins, W. W. Guilty River.  | 61.609  |
| Craddock, Charles Egbert (Mary N. Murfee). The Story of Keckon Bluffs.  | 62.665  |
| Harland, H. (Sidney Laska). Yoke of the Thorax.   | 61.623  |
| Hammond, W. A. On the Susquehanna.  | 65.551  |
| Jamison, Mrs. C. A. Story of an Enthusiast.   | 66.560  |
| Metcalf, W. H. Summer in Oldport Harbor.  | 65.577  |
| Munroe, K. Flamingo Feather.  | 61.616  |
| Russell, W. C. Golden Hope.   | 67.325  |
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## Canon Farrar's Words About Hospitals.

I know no institutions which the Lord Jesus would have more deeply loved than the hospitals. Not a day passes but that deeds are done in them worthy of honor. To provide the poor worn mother with a room where carefully tended she may recover or die in peace; to surround the workman whose limb has been shattered with such trained ministrations, as shall save him from becoming a helpless burden upon those whom he best loves; to help the poor lad maimed by accident to bear more easily the anguish of a boyhood that has been thus blighted, to reillumine the duller light in the eyes of children, this truly is Christ-like work.

Even on selfish grounds we ought to help the hospitals liberally, for blessings come back from them to every class in the community. It is in them that our surgeons and physicians learn the art of healing, and our nurses acquire their skill. It is through them that the rate of mortality is diminished. In them the use of anesthetics was perfected which exempts our minds from some of their deadliest terrors. It was in them that the anti-septic treatment was developed which has already saved thousands of lives. It was in them that we have learnt how cholera is caused and typhoid multiplied.

It ought to be regarded as a privilege to help support a hospital. The rich give but a trifle compared with what they spend for luxury. The poor spend much for needless things, and forget that their aid will help swell the resources of these institutions to which they themselves may some day go in a time of need. To those who know what sickness is, I appeal by the sad fellowship of human pain. To you who know it not I appeal by your gratitude to God for the priceless boon of health, by the sacred name of those who suffer, by the awful mystery of human anguish, aye, by the name of Him who fathomed the abyss of human woe and pain, for His sake I plead for the hospitals on Christmas day.



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## FROM NEWTON TO CALIFORNIA.

PASADENA, Cal., Nov. 30, 1887.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC:

When we arrived in Southern California nearly a fortnight ago, the dust was everywhere more than ankle deep, there had been a small rain in October and none since, and everybody, according to varying methods, was praying for rain or swearing at the drought. Within 72 hours of our coming several heavy showers fell, always in the night; and it was a wonder and delight to see the consequent change of expression both upon the face of nature and the face of man. Whatever else you may find at the front door of every well-furnished house there is sure to be a feather-duster, generally hanging from the bell knob, with which the visitor may brush the dust off his boots and clothing, which awaiting the servant whom he has just summoned by pull of bell.

It was just beginning to be dusty again, showers were hoped for every night, but, on appearance of gathering clouds after dinner to-day, we all said, "It will not rain this p. m., it never rains here except in the night," and so we started to walk down the railroad track, a few squares away to a vineyard of rich muscat grapes, a two peck basket on my arm. We had hardly reached our destination when the drops began to fall and we had to pick grapes without much view to selection. However we didn't get much wet, and we have at least a peck of good grapes for a few days' supply.

In our suit of rooms we have a little stove which would not keep a closet warm in N. E.; hitherto it has served as a convenient receptacle for small waste papers, grape stems, etc. To this had been added for possible emergency a small stock of "grease root," a few bits of red wood, etc., all of which would perhaps fill a quart measure. When the rain came an hour ago we concluded to light our fire, and its slight warmth will keep us comfortable without further replenishing of the stove, for the rest of the day. This, as I said, is our first fire, although to-morrow will be the first day of winter.

I wish your readers, many of them already weary, I will warrant, with the unrelenting, merciless cold of a northern winter, could look out of my window this p. m. Here all is life and beauty and verdure. That orange tree in our front yard is full of fruit which just begins to turn golden, and one cluster, hanging gracefully from a slender stem, has by actual count thirteen fully developed oranges, yet the same tree has room for blossoms too, each as sweet as ever blest a happy bride. Then the foliage presents the most beautiful shade of green, the orange tree would serve as an ornamental tree if it never bore fruit. After a rain, especially if from the sun-shine, it seems as if each individual leaf were about to both to laugh and give thanks. That near neighbor, too close in fact, is the fig-tree; homely enough at the best, and especially so by contrast. I can see now why the fig-tree that refused to bear fruit received the curse; but in this plentiful land no fig-tree or any other fruit tree refuses its girdle of fruit, and this, notwithstanding the season of its fruit-bearing is long passed.

That line of trees over yonder, each as straight and stately as a grenadier, as tall and nearly as slim as the Lombardy poplar is the "crown tree," or the spired eucalyptus, with pendant branches as graceful as those of the weeping willow. A tree of wonderfully rapid growth; one on the street just above having already attained a height of 40 or 50 feet, with dimensions generally such as belong to our maple when it is 40 or 50 years old, and yet it was set out, a tender slip, only four or five years ago.

But I must not aggravate your readers too much, who, unhappily, have in fact a far different view from their windows from that I have but began to present. I have spoken of the afternoon rain as exceptional. Day after day for weeks together is often marked by bright sun-shine. Then the glory of the sunset, night after night, and night after night. But, Mr. Editor, I should have to dip my brush in just such colors to give your readers any conception of this inexpressible glory.

Pasadena, "the Crown of the valley," blessed are they who are they who have their home within thy borders! Man, in his constant struggle against adverse conditions of nature has largely made New England what she is, but God made Southern California and the divine smile seems ever resting upon it. MEDICUS.

## The Railway Crossing Accident.

The adjourned inquest upon the recent fatal accident at the Washington street crossing, in which three men were killed, took place last Friday morning in the Police Court room at City Hall. Judge Park conducted the inquest. William Gallagher saw the gates down at the time of the accident; saw the team containing the men crash through the gate.

Richard Birnagan testified that at the time of the accident he was delivering fish at the house of Mrs. Maher on the north side of the crossing; heard the crash and helped pick up the bodies and remove the debris; the flagman was at the crossing; the gates were down.

Thomas Keefe, the flagman, corroborated what he had said at the previous hearing; he attended to the duties of flagman and also did some shoe repairing in the gate house while not employed at the gates; there are only two lanterns at the crossing, one on each side of the street; at the time the team struck the gate and crossed the tracks, if I had lifted the gate near me it would not have been in season to have averted the accident; I had my hand on the gate crank while the team crossed the tracks; my duties are from 9 a. m. to 10.30 p. m.

W. B. Whittier recalled, and stated that as he crossed over the tracks on the inward train was standing at the Newton station; it had not started, but he heard the hissing of steam from that direction; saw the express coming; the gates had just started to come down and the flagman held up the one on the north side until I passed under; stepped six paces away and heard the crash of the collision; am sure the inward train was at the Newton station; didn't stoop to pass under either gate.

Patrick Gorman, the only man of the four in the team who escaped, testified: As we approached the crossing the gate on the south side was not down, nor was it seen by any of the team; I was driving; as I struck the tracks I heard a noise, as of something striking the top of the vehicle; Charles Hannon called

my attention to it, and believe it was the gate striking the top, and explains, to my mind, how it became broken; saw the gate on the north side and which was down, at the same time I saw the engine of the approaching express, and if the gate had been elevated for me could have got through in season.

## JUDGE PARK'S FINDING.

The following is the text of the finding of Judge Park:

The track of the Boston & Albany Railroad crosses Washington street, in Newton, (a much traveled highway,) at grade. The vehicle, (in which the deceased was being driven westward,) while attempting to cross the track of the said railroad at this crossing, was struck by an outward-bound express train which was moving at the rate of a mile in two minutes. In consequence of this collision the deceased was so injured that he died in two hours.

A large number of witnesses were examined and testified on the two days. They all agreed that the evening was dark; and that the disaster occurred after the time for lighting and exhibiting signal lights. The important fact to be ascertained was whether the bar-gates, to which signal-lanterns were attached, were lowered and in their proper places at this juncture.

On this point there was some conflicting testimony.

There were four persons in the vehicle, on their way home from the race-course at Allston. Three of these were killed. The fourth (who was the driver, and escaped with some serious injury,) testified to facts which had a tendency to prove negligence on the part of the gate-keeper; a man who it appeared had been in the employment of that railroad, at that station, for fifteen years.

A witness, who crossed the track, on foot, at a moment before the collision, testified to the same effect. Eleven others, all intelligent persons, testified as to what they saw from eleven different standpoints of view—some very close to the point of collision, others a little further off, but in plain sight, and with unobstructed vision—all of whom stated facts, corroborating each other, but entirely at variance with the testimony of the two first above named.

The Court, after a careful examination at the hearing, and after duly weighing and considering all the testimony, found that no blame attaches to any one.

And here the duty of the Court, strictly speaking, ends.

But, whereas, it appeared that at this grade-crossing of a much traveled public highway, in that city, there is but a single person in the Company's employment, whose duty is to raise and lower bar-gates on both sides across said highway, which bar-gates, when lowered on each side, meet in the center and cover a width of eighty-five feet, and upon which, after dark, there is suspended on each side of the road but a single globe glass lantern encased in wire; and, whereas, it also appeared that there is no person with or without a flag or signal on the side opposite to which the gate-keeper stands, the Court, taking this occasion to suggest that the provision for the protection of the public at this crossing is hardly adequate, although it may be all that the Railroad Commissioners require.

If, instead of a single lantern in the center of a bar covering a space of eighty-five feet, the traveler was confronted by a row of four lanterns affixed to the bars, about fifteen feet apart, the warning would be more conspicuous and effective.

Or, if an additional man was stationed on the side opposite to the gate-keeper, the protection of the public would be more complete.

These suggestions are commended to the consideration of the Corporation and the Railroad Commissioners.



## GRIT TELLS.

AN IMMENSE BUSINESS, AND WHAT MADE IT.

Byron A. Atkinson was born in Sackville, New Brunswick, and is 34 years of age. When 12 years old he left home to follow the sea and made a number of foreign voyages, sailing mostly from London and Liverpool, England, Glasgow, Scotland, and St. John, New Brunswick, and although his seafaring life lasted but about 6 years, he visited different parts of Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, East and West Indies, North and South America. After the completion of one of his voyages he found himself in New York, and being about 18 years of age he was advised to go to Boston and learn the machinist trade, which he did. Arriving in Boston on St. Patrick's Day, in the morning, March 17, 1870. On the following Monday he went to work for S. A. Woods, a large and prosperous machinist in South Boston. Here he worked constantly for about three years and left the machine shop to embark in business for himself, carrying with him the best wishes of his employers and all his shop mates, who have to a considerable extent patronized him ever since.

He commenced business June 9, 1873, under the name and style of B. A. Atkinson & Co., in an old wooden building on the corner of Shawmut avenue and Pleasant street, where they dealt in second-hand furniture, made over hair mattresses, and took great pride in the neat manner in which they repaired and made old furniture look as good as new. By diligent application to their work, their business increased to such an extent that in the early months of 1879 the foundations of a large brick building, to be occupied by them, was laid, and on May 1, of the same year they moved in. This building served them for about three

years, when they leased the Bartlett building, which adjoins the one they had erected. These two buildings were occupied by them for about a year longer, when the rapid strides which they had made in their business caused them to again look around for more room.

Nassau Hall building, an immense structure situated on the corner of Common and Washington streets, was their selection this time, and as the building contained 102,550 square feet of floor room, they naturally thought that they would have all the room they would need for many years to come. They opened in this location March 1, 1883, with what was considered one of the finest stocks of complete house furnishings in Boston. Continuing their phenomenal career, they fast outgrew even this building, and early in the present year they obtained the large building adjoining Nassau Hall, which is known as Turne Hall building. This accession to their establishment gave them four more large airy show-rooms, and they were able to show the largest stock of any concern in the New England States. Finding themselves still handicapped for room, they have erected, in the rear of the above two buildings, a magnificent six-story structure, containing about an acre of room on each floor. This building is furnished with an elegant passenger and two freight elevators. The connections between the three buildings are perfect, and you can pass from one building to another without knowing just when you do it. These three buildings contain nearly ten acres of floor room, and the firm of B. A. Atkinson & Co. are conceded to have the largest establishment devoted to the retail house furnishing business in the United States.

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the city, as the club can not fail to exert  
a powerful influence. For one thing it  
will bind more closely together the  
residents of our "seven distinct munici-  
palities" and tend to bring about a more  
united feeling. It will enable citizens to  
meet together on a common footing, with-  
out waiting for the yearly political con-  
ventions.Newton has a great future, as Ex-  
Mayor Hyde has so often predicted, but  
the best results will not be gained as  
long as the different wards are rival vil-  
lages, each looking out mainly for its own  
interests, without much regard for the  
interests of the city as a whole. Such  
an organization as the Newton Club  
ought to do much towards changing all  
this, and any influence or organization  
that will tend to bring about the feeling  
that whatever benefits Newton, benefits  
equally every part of Newton, will ac-  
complish a highly desirable work. It is  
said that there have been cases, when  
a citizen of one ward was nominated for  
some high office, the other wards im-  
mediately turned the cold shoulder, from  
a feeling of petty rivalry. This state of  
things was of course before the days of  
the Circuit Railroad, when Newton  
Corner, for instance, was much nearer  
Boston than it was to Newton Centre,  
from the lack of any means of communi-  
cation. Such a spirit has passed away,  
let us hope, and such organizations as  
the Congregational Club, the Newton  
Boat Club, the Newton Club, and the  
various other societies which call to-  
gether residents from the different sec-  
tions, will make Newton feel as much one  
city as the United States is now one  
nation. In the early days of our history  
the different states had no community  
of interests, or any national feeling, but  
that has long passed away.There is no reason why Newton should  
not double her population within the  
next ten years. The Circuit railroad has  
opened up a very desirable tract of un-  
occupied land, the street railroad will  
bring more within easy reach of the  
railroad stations, and with enterprise  
and public spiritedness on the part of  
the leading citizens, there is almost no  
limit to the city's growth. Few places  
within a half hour's ride of Boston can  
offer so many advantages to the better  
class of residents, who would be willing  
to help pay our taxes and contribute to  
the public improvements. So far but  
little has been done in this direction.  
Land has been held at exalted prices,  
the few houses that were to let have been  
equally out of reach of the majority, and  
any increase of population has been dis-  
couraged.Recently, however, there have been  
signs of a change, especially in Newton-  
ville and Newton Highlands, and the as-  
tonishing growth of these two places has  
been the result. The latter place has been  
called one of the model villages of New  
England, from the taste displayed in the  
erection of its numerous private resi-  
dences, and the interest shown in the  
care of the grounds attached. There is  
no reason why villages of equal size  
should not spring up all along the new  
Circuit road, if only a beginning is made  
and their growth encouraged.There is no fear but that the Newton  
Club can find plenty of work before it.  
Many other cities date back the beginning  
of their prosperity and patriotic senti-  
ment to the foundation of similar orga-  
nizations, which have wielded a powerful  
influence.From the character of the men who  
have been prominent in forming the  
Newton Club, there is every reason for  
great expectations in regard to its future  
usefulness and the salutary influence it  
will have upon the prosperity of the city.  
The Jersey Stock Club has demonstrated  
what can be done by a social organization  
in Newton, although its membership was  
limited, and it could not boast of a club  
house.The annual dinner for members of  
the new and old members of the city  
government will be given at the Wood-  
land Park Hotel within a few weeks.  
There will be only a few invited guests,  
and the affair will not be in any sense a  
jacket, as each member pays his own  
bill.

## THE PRESIDENCY.

There is a general interest over the  
question of the next President—not of  
the United States, but of our Common  
Council. It is customary to choose the  
president from among the old members,  
and next year these will be Messrs.  
Powell of Ward 1, Gore and Moody of  
Ward 4, Burr and Read of Ward 6, and  
Kennedy of Ward 7. Mr. Kennedy is the  
senior member, but he is unfortunate in  
coming from Ward 7, as four of the seven  
presidents since Newton became a city  
have come from that ward, and the peo-  
ple are asking if the Newton Corner peo-  
ple really think they have a mortgage  
upon the office.The first president was Mr. Geo. E.  
Allen, who served five years; he was suc-  
ceeded by Mr. John G. Henry, who served  
one year; Mr. C. C. Barton, one year; Mr.  
Henry, another year; Mr. E. W. Gay, two  
years; Mr. S. L. Powers, two years; Mr.  
James W. French, one year, and Mr. L.  
E. Coffin, whose term is nearly ended.  
Of course, Ward 7 is not to blame if it  
offers the men best fitted for presiding  
officers, but this fact is likely to injure  
Mr. Kennedy's chances. It is also urged  
against his election that his duties as  
Captain of the Claffin Guards would in-  
terfere with the discharge of the duties  
of the office, as he has to be at the Ar-  
morium a portion of every Monday even-  
ing.Another member whose name has been  
prominently mentioned for the position  
is Councilman Burr of Chestnut Hill.  
That section of the city has had very  
little recognition in the city government,  
and the locality claim is strongly urged  
in Mr. Burr's favor. He has been one of  
the leaders in the council the past year,  
always being found in his seat, and al-  
ways displaying a lively interest in the  
matters under discussion. He has a thor-  
ough knowledge of parliamentary rules,  
which is another point in his favor.As the President of the Common Coun-  
cil has a seat on the school board, the  
office has greater importance than it  
otherwise would have, and for this reason  
Mr. Burr is looked upon as the one man  
in the council best fitted for the position.  
He was educated in the Newton  
schools, graduating from the High  
School in 1873, and from Harvard in 1877.  
He therefore is fitted to act intelligently  
and wisely on all school matters. He  
will represent that large and steadily  
growing class of voters who have a per-  
sonal interest in all that relates to the  
schools, and who ought to be represented  
by one of their number. His inde-  
pendence of character and habit of care-  
ful investigation would make him an es-  
pecially valuable member of the board.The result of the caucus of the com-  
mon Council will be awaited with un-  
usual interest this year, and it will be  
held a week from next Tuesday evening.The school committee question entered  
into the Boston city election also, and  
the general excellence of the Democratic  
nominations for the school board is said  
to have saved Mayor O'Brien from defeat.  
If the Boston Republicans had really  
desired to carry the day they would not  
have made a party nomination for Mayor.  
The Boston board of aldermen has been  
rescued from the ring that controlled it  
last year, and perhaps this is an even  
greater victory for reform than the elec-  
tion of Mr. Hart would have been.The recount of votes for councilman  
from Ward 5 only added one to Mr.  
Greenwood's majority. It is said that  
the ward officers counted the ballots five  
times, reaching a different result each  
time, which was the reason Mr. Hyde  
asked for a recount. Mr. Greenwood  
will make an excellent member of the  
council, and he is thoroughly familiar  
with the needs of his ward and of the  
city. He has received many congratula-  
tions over his victory.THE GRAPHIC every week gives more  
reading matter and local news than any  
other Newton paper. It is only \$2.00 a  
year, which makes it the cheapest as  
well as the best. Its subscription list  
is constantly growing, and it now has  
more paying subscribers than any  
other Newton paper.

## Commemorating a Birthday.

On Sunday, the 25th of December,  
there will be commemorated the birth  
of One whose coming into the world has  
produced the most beneficial change.  
There are many ways in which the an-  
niversary will be kept. Grand services  
will be held in state churches. Happy  
families will assemble. The poor will be  
remembered. There is one way of keep-  
ing the great festival occasion which the  
three hundred holders of the Hospital  
Birthday boxes perhaps will gladly ob-  
serve. Perhaps many others may think  
favorably of the suggestion. It is that a  
special gift be made that day for the  
Newton Hospital. Those who have the  
boxes will try to fill them up full.  
Others can do their gifts up in an en-  
velope, mark them "For the Hospital," and  
carry them to the nearest post office in  
our city. The committee will call for  
them.It is suggested that all the Birthday  
barrels be emptied and the contents be  
put in envelopes marked as above, short-  
ly after Christmas, so as to begin the  
New Year afresh.

## Newton Monday Club.

On Monday evening this club met at  
Mr. E. W. Cobb's on Centre street, as the  
guests of Mr. W. P. Clark. Mr. Thomas  
Weston, Jr., delivered the essay, taking  
for his subject, "The social life and con-  
dition of Plymouth Colony in the year  
1650-60." As the speaker is familiar  
with the subject, he afforded an en-  
joyable historical treat to his hearers.  
He pictured the early houses, their con-  
struction, their furniture, cooking uten-  
sils, articles of food, manner of dress, and  
the domestic and religious life of the  
Colonists.It seems as though the club might pre-  
serve in some permanent form the ex-  
ceedingly interesting and valuable papers  
produced by its members.

## THE NEWTON CLUB.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE HANDSOME CLUB  
HOUSE.On Monday evening the Newton Club  
will open its new club house with a re-  
ception, which in character and appoint-  
ments will be the social event of the  
season. The need of a social organiza-  
tion, in which gentlemen from the sev-  
eral villages of the city could find a  
common meeting place, has long been  
recognized. To meet this want, a club  
composed of about a hundred and fifty  
of the leading people of the city will, on  
the evening mentioned, establish itself in  
its new home and extend its hospitality  
to its friends for the first time. The his-  
toric old Roberts mansion, or as it was  
known for years, the Gen. Hull house,  
will be the scene once more of a gay and  
brilliant assemblage. Once more, for  
there is probably no house in Newton  
that has witnessed more gatherings of  
beauty and fashion in the past, or offered  
more generous hospitality, than this  
large old-fashioned mansion, once the  
residence of Gen. Hull. At different  
periods in its history it has been, under  
several hostesses, the center of the social  
life of the community, and very properly  
in its old age it substantiates its claim to  
the title of "the most hospitable man-  
sion," by sheltering the leading social  
organization in the city. Apart from the  
traditions connected with it, the house  
possesses special advantages for its in-  
tended purpose. Centrally located, it is  
accessible from all parts of the city, and  
the rooms are large and pleasant. The  
building has been thoroughly renovated,  
and re-papered, painted and decorated  
throughout, and handsomely furnished.Entering from the piazza, the guest  
finds himself in the spacious square hall,  
with its old-fashioned stairway. The  
walls are handsomely papered, the pre-  
vailing tint being buff, with a dado of a  
darker shade; the ceiling is also papered  
in an attractive pattern, the whole being  
illuminated by a handsome lantern. To  
the right is the large parlor in which the  
receptions will be held. In this room  
the finish of the walls correspond to that  
of the hall, the ceiling, however, is fresh-  
coated. It is brilliantly lighted by a hand-  
some chandelier, in the shape of candel-  
abra, of cut glass and gilt, adding much  
to the attractiveness of the apartment.  
Upon the walls are a number of fine en-  
gravings, etchings and photographs, in  
which the selection of which the com-  
mittee have shown admirable taste. A Chick-  
ering upright grand piano, near which  
stands a handsome Hollings piano lamp,  
is a noticeable piece of furniture. The  
furnishing of the room is plain but rich,  
a tone of quiet comfort and elegance  
prevailing throughout. A paper blind ver-  
way from the reception room is the  
library, very attractive with its fire-  
place, broad oak tables, and comfortable  
arm-chairs. Adjoining the library in the  
rear and opening into the hall, is the  
dining room, which is intended for use  
on special occasions, as no much cater-  
ing will be done except at recep-  
tions. It may not be out of place to re-  
mark that the club is to be conducted on  
strict temperance principles.On the second floor over the hall is the  
secretary's office, a cozy little room in  
which the carpet and paper blend very  
pleasantly. Over the parlor is the bil-  
liard room and a larger room which may  
be used for social purposes. There are  
several of these apartments, one of  
which is brightened by a bay window,  
and will be used for cards. One of the  
prettiest rooms is the pool room, the  
vaulted ceiling and walls of which are a  
rich yellow, relieved by a dado of blue.In addition to the apartments men-  
tioned there are bath-rooms, kitchens  
and pantries. Ample accommodations  
for horses and vehicles are provided in  
stables in the rear.  
On Monday evening flowers and potted  
plants will be liberally used to decorate  
the apartments; Lee will furnish a fine  
collation and an orchestra of six pieces  
will provide music. The President, the  
Hon. R. M. Pulsifer and wife, will not  
receive the guests, owing to the recent  
death of Mrs. Pulsifer's father. The  
vice-presidents, Hon. Levi C. Wade, Hon.  
Robert R. Bishop, Mr. I. T. Burr, and  
the chairman of the executive com-  
mittee, Mr. Henry E. Cobb, with their wives,  
will officially represent the club. Each  
member is entitled to an admittance for  
himself and lady, and an invitation for  
another couple. The invitations are thus  
very limited and are in great demand.  
Those favored are considered fortunate.

## Mr. Fulton in Trouble.

Rev. Justin D. Fulton, who is fond of  
controversy, caused quite a sensation  
last Sunday in Boston, by denouncing  
the Rand Avery company for refusing to  
print his book "Why Priests should  
Wed." The company replied in a letter  
which was printed in the Boston papers,  
stating their reasons in such an energetic  
manner that Mr. Fulton was compelled  
to accept the company's offer to arbitrate.  
They say that the book contained  
such obscene passages that the printers  
refused to work upon it, and after an ex-  
amination of the book they felt com-  
pelled to refuse to carry out their con-  
tract. They offered, however, to leave  
the matter out to arbitration, and public  
opinion was so changed by the letter that  
Mr. Fulton has accepted the offer, and a  
committee of three is to be selected to  
consider the objectionable passages. The  
company have received a great many  
letters, both applauding and condemning  
this action, but the reputation of the  
company and the men who compose it is  
a sufficient guarantee that they would  
not take such action without good and  
sufficient reasons for it. It would hardly  
do for such a publishing house to publish  
a book which was unfit for circulation,  
no matter how praise-worthy might be  
the motives of the author, and the  
general opinion is that Mr. Fulton's  
writings would be much improved by a  
skilled committee of revision, with  
power to act.

## Newton People

Pass daily by the attractive art store of  
Eben Smith, 182 Lincoln street, Boston,  
whose windows are always worthy the  
attention of lovers of fine pictures. His  
prices are unapproachable by any other  
dealer in Boston. He offers some special  
bargains for the next ten days, in the  
way of new etchings, remaque and ar-  
tists' proofs, etc., which will be framed  
at very low prices. Mr. Smith's is a fa-  
vorite store for Newton people, as it is so  
convenient to the depot, and his prices  
are so much less than other Boston  
houses for the same things.

## The Pomroy Home.

The directors wish to express their  
thanks for the generous contributions  
made the past year in support of this,  
our oldest city charity.Many who found a kind and wisely  
conducted home under the purifying and  
elevating influence of the saintly Mrs.  
Pomroy, on her admirable successor, our  
present superintendent during the past  
15 years, have left us and are now self-  
supporting.These are doing faithful service in  
various spheres in the community, and  
bless the day when they entered the  
"Home."We wish to remind our friends that the  
"Home's" support depends upon their  
generosity. It will be seen from the  
Treasurer's report just published in  
connection with the 15th report of the  
directors, that the contributions were  
less the past than in the most previous  
years, and insufficient to meet our run-  
ning expenses. Freedom have been  
forced to draw from our reserve fund to  
supply such deficiency. This we are  
anxious to avoid in future, nor shall we  
be obliged to do so, if our Newton women  
will remember us as in past years. The  
generous bequests of \$1000, and \$500,  
this past year, were gratefully received  
and enable our Treasurer to present so  
gratifying a sum for 1887-8. All such  
bequests should be retained as a guaran-  
tee fund to draw upon in case of neces-  
sity.It may not be generally known that  
our system for collections embraces not  
only the friends outside our city limits,  
but all the American women in  
Newton. Each Protestant church in  
our city is represented upon the board  
of corporators, while from each separate  
denomination a director is selected.Thus is the unsectarian character of  
the home assured. Through the corpora-  
tors, the services of young ladies are  
secured in each parish to solicit contribu-  
tions, thus affording an opportunity to  
the women of all the religious societies  
to prove their faith by their works.It is our earnest hope that those among  
us who are arranging their wills, will not  
forget the "Home," standing as it does  
with others quite worthy of remem-  
brance.

NATH'L T. ALLEN.

## Holiday Goods.

The show window of Theodore L. Ma-  
son, in Eliot block, presents a very at-  
tractive sight to seekers after holiday  
goods. He has a great variety of watch  
chains, pendants, scarf and lace pins, op-  
era glasses, and other articles, besides  
the celebrated Rockford watch, which  
would make the most welcome Christ-  
mas present one could receive. Mr. Ma-  
son was for many years with Ball, Black  
& Co. of New York, and those in want  
of fine watch or clock repairing can de-  
pend upon him for satisfactory work.  
See adv.

## Do You Know

That you can save money by buying your  
Groceries, Provisions, Wooden Ware,  
Fruit and Vegetables at Whittier's?  
I am adding every day to my stock, and  
making lower prices than ever. Come  
here and pay cash for a month and you  
will never run a bill again. W. B. Whit-  
tier, Howes' Block.

## The High School Chorus.

The Newton High School Chorus will  
give their first concert (of this season) in  
Eliot Hall, Wednesday evening, January  
18, 1888, when they will be assisted by  
the Beethoven club of Boston, and solo-  
ists from the school.Mendelssohn's Forty-second Psalm  
has been selected as the principal work  
of the evening, and will be given with  
solo, chorus and orchestra, under the di-  
rection of Mr. J. P. Cobb, the musical  
director of the Chorus.This society, we may state, was organ-  
ized last year by the scholars of the  
school, for the purpose of improvement  
in vocal music, as music was not, and is  
not now, included in the course of study.  
The society has since then made great  
improvement, and there is no doubt but  
that their concert will be a decided suc-  
cess.Reserved seats, at fifty cents each, may  
be obtained of members of the Chorus  
or by addressing the secretary, Albert  
W. Little, Auburndale, Mass.We hope that the friends of the school  
will take an interest in this society and  
give it their hearty support.Pickard, '88, has been appointed ser-  
geant-at-arms of the Lyceum, Markham,  
'88, having resigned to take the office of  
prime minister.The Review staff has issued very  
pretty tickets for their reception on  
December 28, which may be obtained of  
any of the editors.The next meeting of the Lyceum will  
be during the Christmas vacation.NOT  
A Christmas Carol.This is not a posthumous Christmas Carol  
by Charles Dickens, but an advertisement of  
the Newton supply company. We desire to spread  
happiness among Newtonians and so in lieu of a  
Christmas Carol, we have decided to offer in re-  
duction in the price of our tickets, and  
will hereafter sell them for 50 cents  
instead of for \$1. This reduced price is  
of course ridiculously low and will be admitted  
to be so by all when it is known that it is nothing  
less and nothing more than the discount allowed  
to holders of our tickets by H. H. Carter &  
Karriek on \$2.00 worth of Christmas cards.  
and from 25 per cent on unnumbered other  
articles which we have not the space to specify.  
Further information and tickets may be  
obtained ofHubbard & Proctor, Newton.  
Mrs. A. Williams, Newtonville.  
H. Eugene Fleming, West Newton.  
A. Alfred Brush, Auburndale.  
John A. Noble, Newton Centre.  
Or by sending direct toTHE NEWTON SUPPLY COMPANY,  
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## MARRIED.

RUSSELL-WILSON.—At Newton, Dec. 10, by  
Rev. Fayette Nichols, Leroy Elmer Russell, of  
New York, and Lillie Angia Wilson, of New-  
ton.  
DANIELS-FARNSWORTH.—At Portland, Me.,  
Dec. 7, by Rev. A. Dalton, John A. Daniels of  
Newton, and Julia E. Farnsworth of Portland,  
Me.

## DIED.

KEYES.—In Newtonville, Dec. 12, Hale Leavitt  
Keyes, aged 73 yrs. 3 mos.  
CAPEN.—In Brookline, Dec. 9, Caroline S. Capen,  
daughter of the late John Capen, of Newton.  
GRIFFIN.—In Newtonville, Dec. 10, Charlotte  
Helen, widow of the late M. P. Griffin of Med-  
ford, and daughter of the late George Clarke,  
of Boston.  
BATES.—In Portland, Me., 11th Inst., Margaret,  
infant daughter of Arthur L. and Nellie Ger-  
trude Bates, aged 2 wks.  
GOLDING.—In West Newton, Dec. 8, William  
H. Golding, aged 53 yrs. 3 mos. 27 yrs.  
SMITH.—In Newton Centre, Dec. 11, Elizabeth  
B. wife of Hannibal R. Smith of Auburn, Me.,  
aged 77 yrs. 10 mos.  
LERELL.—In Nantucket, Dec. 12, Mark Lerell,  
aged 57 yrs.  
WHITNEY.—In Auburndale, Dec. 13, John H.  
Whitney, aged 36 yrs. 10 mos. 7 dys.  
WHITNEY.—In Auburndale, Dec. 14, Arthur H.  
Whitney, aged 2 yrs. 3 mos. 21 dys.  
LANE.—In Newton Upper Falls, Dec. 42, Patrick,  
son of Patrick Lane, aged 6 yrs. 2 mos.  
SOLARI.—In Newton, Dec. 15, Rosa, daughter of  
Michael Solari, aged 15 yrs.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

FOR SALE.—A nearly new Brunswick Pool  
Table; full set of balls, cues, and all ap-  
paratus; all in perfect order. At about half  
the original cost. Address P. O. Box 715, New-  
ton.FOR SALE.—A good sleigh and harness, a  
great trade for some one, can be seen at  
Mr. Wm. B. Locke's, Beacon St., near Alnhouse, 81TEN HOUSES TO RENT and 20 to sell in New-  
ton Centre, Newton Highlands, Upper Falls  
and Newtonville. W. Thorpe, Newton Centre. 6FOR SALE.—A new house of 13 rooms and  
large pantry and bath room; set tubs in  
laundry; all piped and wired for electric light-  
ing; Oak Grove, 10,000 to 15,000 feet of land;  
fine neighborhood on Tappan street, New-  
ton Highlands. For particulars and view of  
house call on the owner, corner Elliott and Boylston  
streets, Hiram Ross.

## PRESENTS FOR GENTLEMEN.

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334 WASHINGTON ST.,  
Cor. Franklin St., Boston.Have now in stock an elegant assortment of  
Gifts for Gentlemen, especially suited for the  
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Wrists.  
Black and Castor Gloves, lined and un-  
lined.  
Fur gloves, very desirable and at reasonable  
price.  
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I shall offer at PUBLIC AUCTION, on  
MONDAY, Dec. 18th, at half-past TWO o'clock,  
p.m., at the late residence of Levi B. Gay, Esq.,  
on Newtonville Avenue, Ward 1, Newton, a  
variety of Household Furniture, consisting in  
part of Black Walnut Chamber Set, having Bed-  
stead, Springs, Bureau, and Commode, a nice  
Fleming Sewing Machine, Hat-tree, Eddy Re-  
frigerator, Parlor, Sitting-room and Dining-  
Room Curtains and Lace Draperies.  
Also—1 nice Cigarry, 1 nice Goldbug Buggy, 3  
Single Harnesses, 2 Air-Tight Stoves, 1 Marble  
Mantel, Wolf Robes, Blankets, and other Stable  
furnishings. Also about ten bushels of very nice  
pears.  
The goods will be sold for Cash, and must be  
paid for and removed on day of sale. For further  
particulars inquire ofCHARLES F. RAND,  
P. O. Building, Newton.REPORT of the Condition of the First Na-  
tional Bank of West Newton, at West  
Newton, in the State of Massachusetts, at the  
close of business, Dec. 7, 1887.RESOURCES.  
Loans and discounts, \$120,483 66  
Overdrafts, 3 66  
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 25,000 00  
Other stocks, bonds, and mortgages, 23,352 50  
Deposits subject to check, 7,352 82  
Real estate, furniture, and fixtures, 600 46  
Current expenses and taxes paid, 324 82  
Premiums paid, 3,751 20  
Checks and other cash items, 6,284 00  
Bills of other Banks, 3,018 00  
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and  
cents, 79 62  
Specie, 4,505 60  
Legal tender notes, 2,900 00  
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer  
(5 per cent of circulation), 1,125 00  
\$198,061 74LIABILITIES.  
Capital stock paid in, \$100,000 00  
Undivided profits, 5,757 50  
National Bank notes outstanding, 22,500 00  
Individual deposits subject to check, 62,068 85  
Demand certificates of deposit, 3,975 00  
Certified checks, 100 00  
National Reserve Bank, special account, 3,000 00  
Notes and bills re-discounted, 3,580 00  
Total, \$198,061 74STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, COUNTY OF MIDDLE-  
SEX, ss.  
I, M. L. PARKER, Cashier of the above-named  
bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement  
is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
M. L. PARKER, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day  
of December, 1887.ISAAC F. KINGSBURY,  
Notary Public.CORRECT—Attest:  
J. H. NICKERSON,  
EDWARD W. CATE,  
AUSTIN R. MITCHELL, Directors.QUICK TRAILER  
NEWTON WATER  
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## NEWTONVILLE.

—Mrs. R. H. Wadleigh has moved to Brockton Mass.

—Mr. O. B. Leavitt is out again, although not very strong yet.

—Some bargains in antique furniture are shown at Calder's. See adv.

—There will be a Christmas concert at the Methodist church on Christmas day.

—The Chautauque Circle will not hold another meeting until after New Year's.

—The post office here has sent out the heaviest mail in its history the past week.

—Mrs. Gertrude Bean Bates is to be congratulated, she has a daughter two weeks old.

—Mrs. Wm. Page remains comfortable, although there is no positive change in her condition.

—Santa Claus has arrived at Sullivan's with several car loads of holiday goods. Admittance free, and all are invited.

—Rev. R. A. White will lecture upon Jenny Lind, Sunday evening, at the Universalist church. Sermon begins at 7.30, and all are welcome.

—Mr. Dearborn will have a fine assortment of Christmas trees next week, of all sizes and prices; also a large assortment of other kinds of decorations.

—Everyone would know that Christmas is coming by just looking round at Colton's. A large and attractive variety of holiday goods is shown there.

—Rev. Mr. Butters gives the last of his special course of sermons on Sunday evening. The subject will be "An encouraging judgment."

—Mr. Hale L. Keyes will be greatly missed, having for so many years been a respected and much-beloved citizen of our village.

—The Ladies Sewing society of the Universalist society netted \$250, at their sale last week, which was beyond their expectations.

—Mrs. Roberts has with her through the winter, Mr. and Mrs. Walker of Boston; Mr. Walker is a teacher in the English high school.

—Mr. John F. Payne's drug store will be open from 8 to 10.30 on Sundays, but will be closed during the hours of morning service at the churches.

—Mr. Brigham is putting up an attractive house, on the lot next his residence on Newtonville avenue, which is to be occupied by his son, we understand.

—The Rev. R. A. White's lecture on Martin Luther last Sunday evening, was of interest and profit to all. A good number were out considering the weather.

—Tappers have been placed in the houses of most of the firemen who live far from the engine house, in order that the men may hear a night alarm without fail.

—Let us hope we may have a good fall of snow before Christmas, to give the jingle of the sleigh bells, and the frosty outlook as a fit surrounding for the Christmas decorations.

—Mrs. E. G. Tewksbury has returned from her six months stay in Europe. She arrived in New York on the German steamer "Trave," last Friday, reaching Newtonville Saturday afternoon.

—Miss Bridgman gave a tea last Saturday afternoon from 5 to 8 o'clock. It was complimentary to Miss Brinkerhoff, who is her guest. The affair was quite an elegant one, and was largely attended in spite of the inclemency of the weather.

—Mrs. Charlotte Helen Griffin, widow of the late M. P. Griffin of Medford, died on Dec. 10, at the residence of her son, Mr. A. P. C. Griffin on Highland avenue. The funeral services took place on Monday at 1.30 p. m. at Mr. Griffin's residence.

—Alterations are being made in the Hook & Ladder house, which will greatly improve the appearance of the interior and add to the comfort of the men. The two front rooms have been thrown into one; the walls and ceiling have been tastefully tinted, and the floor will be prettily carpeted.

—The Electric Light & Power Co. has bought of Mathew Burns his estate joining the electric light plant on Crafts street, thereby closing all litigation. Mr. Burns is to move his house before the first of April next. The amount paid was perfectly satisfactory to Mr. Burns and the Company.

—Leo Lewis's "Caught Napping," which is to be given in the Universalist vestry on Christmas eve, as a preliminary to the usual tree, will include, Messrs. Cabot, Pinkham, Sisson, and Mrs. Sherwood in the adult parts, with a score of children, who will be the principal attraction. It promises to be a success, if repeated rehearsals and hard work on the part of those getting it up, count for anything.

—Mr. J. T. Swett died Thursday evening, after a long and painful illness. He has been a great sufferer for months, during which his confidante, Charles Ward Post, have been unremitting in their attentions, and have done what they could to show their sympathy and make his last days as comfortable as possible. Mr. Swett was one of the best known of the Newton veteran soldiers, and he enjoyed the confidence and respect of all who knew him. A brave soldier and honored citizen has gone to his reward. The deceased was born in Boston in 1838. At one time he was in the employ of the B. & A. R. R. Co., and at various times held positions of responsibility and trust. He was an expert book-keeper, and as such always commanded profitable situations until his health failed. Mr. Swett was an honored comrade of Charles Ward Post (2d G. A. R.). During the war of the rebellion Comrade Swett enlisted in a Boston regiment and served his country on the field of battle, especially in North Carolina. He had been in poor health for over a year, and for the last six months had been between life and death. He bore his sufferings with a soldier's fortitude. The funeral services will take place Sunday at one o'clock, at the house of Dr. Blodgett, Walnut street.

—Chief Bixby read a paper before the recent state firemen's convention at Taunton, in which he took strong ground for towns providing themselves with proper fire apparatus. But few have seen more of the evils of this needless custom than Chief Bixby, who for years saw Newton taking care of Needham and Wellesley fires. When he came into the chief's office he proposed that these towns should pay for the services they received. They refused to do so, and an order was issued forbidding any portion of the Newton department responding to calls from those towns. The result was, efficient fire appliances were in a very short time purchased in both towns, and

## WEST NEWTON.

—Thos. Harvey is erecting a dwelling on Cherry street.

—Rev. Dr. M. Maury of Goshen, N. Y., is here for a short time.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tolman have returned from their Southern trip.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Price has returned from her visit to Buffalo and New York City.

—Miss Gertrude Harris Cook will sing several ballads at the Unitarian society this evening.

—Among the new houses being erected in this village is one on River street for James Clancy.

—Rev. Francis Tiffany finished his course of lectures on Venice, before the New England Woman's Club in Boston Thursday evening.

—A letter from Mr. T. N. Allen, in regard to the Newton school committee, is crowded out of this issue, but will appear next week.

—Mr. Clinton Eddy entertained the T. L. S. and lady friends on Wednesday evening; as is usually the case with this society, the occasion was a very pleasant one.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Capen are spending a few weeks in Algiers, but expect to return to Nice, their last season's quarters, to spend the remainder of the winter.

—The cases in the police court this week have been few and unimportant, except the decision rendered in the case of the railway accident at Newton, which will be found in its entirety in another column.

—On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. W. H. Stewart, assisted by her daughters, Mrs. Stewart Pratt and Miss Stewart, received and entertained at high tea a large number of friends from all parts of the city. The reception was in honor of Miss Kilburn, a niece of Mrs. Stewart's, who is visiting in West Newton.

—The proposed toboggan chute at West Newton will be located near the Waltham line close by the side of Charles River. The preliminary arrangements are now being made for its construction. It is proposed to have winter carnivals and icy sports there, should winter and ice ever come.

—The Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Unitarian Church met Wednesday afternoon in the church parlors. Letters were read from various sections of the country, acknowledging work accomplished by it, and plans of usefulness for the winter discussed. Collections in aid of the "Unitarian Association," also for the Christmas festival of the Sabbath school, will be taken up in the church next Sabbath.

—Mr. James T. Allen wrote a description of West Newton, which appeared in the Boston Record's series of Model Suburban towns, on Thursday evening. It contained two illustrations, one intended to represent a view of the business portion of Washington street, and the other a view of the railroad station. The article is of special value, as it calls the attention of the public to the many advantages which West Newton, as well as other parts of the city, offer to new comers.

—At the meeting of the Middlesex Schoolmaster's club last Saturday, a question of the best way of teaching pupils to study, and of gaining their attention at recitations was discussed, and Mr. Levi F. Warren of this village recommended the careful preparation by the teacher, of a sufficient amount of work for smart scholars as well as the others, the encouragement of more of the individual feeling and less of the class feeling and the idea that each pupil should feel the responsibility of his own work.

—A musical society for "mutual improvement and enjoyment" was formed Tuesday evening, composed of members from different sections of the city. It was organized by a constitution being drawn up, with by-laws and a choice of officers, consisting of Mr. H. M. Walton of Newton as president; Miss Edith March, vice-president; Mr. E. R. Metcalf, secretary and treasurer, with the addition of Miss Eddy and Miss Lincoln of Allston, acting with them as executive committee. They propose to take up music, both vocal and instrumental, only of high order, and the reputation of its director, our most efficient teacher of music in the public schools, warrants the expectation that a high standard will be maintained, and win a worthy and important recognition with other musical circles of our city. The first meeting will be held Jan. 10. The new society is launched without a name, but that, and other particulars, we hope to be able to give later.

—Miss Hunt spoke to a very interested audience of the Women's Educational Club last Friday evening, on the subject of "Education Among the Rocky Mountains." She first alluded briefly to her interesting work among the Chinese in California, chiefly in their schools, and of their eagerness to obtain instruction. She then gave some of the incidents of her mission among the Mormons. She went among them four years since, and established the first Gentile school. In Salt Lake City there are 25,000 inhabitants, and all but 5,000 are Mormons. They are not confined to Utah, but number as many in Arizona. They are obliged to pay one-tenth of all they have to the support of their institution. The women are educated to believe that their souls cannot be saved unless they marry, and the men are promoted in the church according to the number of wives they own. Education of the children in the schools is difficult, as the work is looked upon with distrust, and they are afraid to take away, though no allusion is made to their religion or institutions. She left among her hearers the general feeling that it was not necessary to go far for the work of foreign missions, when the necessity lay so near our own door. A number of those present subscribed for a paper she advocated, showing the efforts made to Christianize these people. The annual reception will be held January 2, when the members are privileged to invite their gentlemen friends. An interesting program is promised.

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## WELLESLEY INTRODUCED AN EXCELLENT SYSTEM OF WATER WORKS.

The same result would ensue in all other localities if the same heroic but only adequate measures for the suppression of deadening fire protection would be adopted. In his paper the chief says: "This topic having been assigned to your humble servant by the executive committee can be readily answered in these few words: 'The Lord helps those who help themselves.' (Applause.) The subject of fire protection requires no elaborate argument to establish the fact that in these days of the many and useful fire appliances provided by the manufacturers, consisting of varied patterns and sizes of steam fire engines, hose reels, chemical engines, trucks, etc., no city or town can reasonably neglect to provide for its safety; and where such provision is neglected, they are entitled to no consideration from their more provident neighbors. No head of department can justify a weakening of his force to furnish apparatus to these banking communities, for the maintenance of which they have in no way contributed. Neither is he justified in exposing the lives and limbs of his men to protect those who can, but will not, protect themselves. Manufacturing interests are removed to these 'penny-wise and pound foolish' localities to escape the tax which efficient fire and police protection necessitates, and to which all good citizens cheerfully subscribe. In case of fire these 'tax dodgers' are the first to call upon their more fortunate neighbors for help."

## AUBURNDALE.

—E. E. Staples has gone to New York this week.

—Miss M. A. Blood is at home from Wellesley college for the holidays.

—Remember the Episcopal fair in Auburn hall on Saturday afternoon and evening.

—The young ladies of Lasell at a social last week performed Howell's "Garroters."

—Miss Josie Benton entertained a few friends at the Woodland Park, a few evenings ago.

—Mr. Dunham, who has been the guest of his daughters, Mrs. Little and Mrs. C. Burr for some weeks, returned today to Pittsfield.

—Miss Vail, a guest at Lasell, while riding last Tuesday afternoon, was violently thrown from her horse and was slightly injured.

—Rev. Francis Tiffany of West Newton will give a lecture upon "Assisi and St. Francis," at 7.30 o'clock, Tuesday evening, Dec. 20th, at Lasell Seminary. Friends are welcome.

—The Auburn children are to give a pretty Christmas play in the long dining room at the Woodland Park on Dec. 28th, the proceeds of the sale of tickets to be given to some charitable object.

—The members of the Congregational Sunday School presented their retiring superintendent, Mr. Chas. H. Johnson, with a valuable copy of Wm. M. Thompson's "Land and the Book," on last Sunday evening.

—One of the little barrels placed in the ladies' ticket office at the depot for contributions to the Cottage Hospital, was stolen by some petty thief on Saturday night and found on the depot grounds Sunday morning broken open, the money missing.

—Prof. Bragdon's popularity seems never to know any diminution. It has, if anything, steadily increased from year to year. His high character and constant attention to the welfare of the children, and his rare culture and exceptional ability rank him among the leading educators of the day.

—The distinctive feature of the social at the Congregational chapel on Thursday evening, was the lively presentation of the old-fashioned spelling school, given by several members of the society in costume. Mr. E. W. Spurr was the teacher, and Mr. Henry Hill and Miss B. P. Knapp, visiting members of the school board. The whole was very laughable. A fine musical program was also given, Mr. Waldo W. Cole assisting.

—The guests registered at the Woodland Park Hotel: Miss Hutchinson, Miss Hill, Miss Ethel Hill, Miss Marion Hill, Brookline; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sears, Mr. Coburn, Weston; Mr. C. H. Hill, Brookline; Mr. W. B. Greene, Newtonville; W. H. Harris, U. S. Washington; Mr. J. A. Hills, professor of instrumental music, also assisted, his numbers being enthusiastically received. There were several encores both for the solos and choruses. On next Monday night the pupils of the school of music give their usual term recital.

—On Wednesday evening the first quarterly concert of the Orphean Club and Mixed Chorus occurred at Lasell, under the direction of Mr. J. W. Davis. The soloists were Miss Edith E. Torrey, Miss Jennie J. Brown, Mr. Waldo W. Cole, Mr. Joseph A. Hills, professor of instrumental music, also assisted, his numbers being enthusiastically received. There were several encores both for the solos and choruses. On next Monday night the pupils of the school of music give their usual term recital.

—Mr. Henry J. Whitney died suddenly on Tuesday morning after a short illness of diphtheria. The death of his little son followed on Thursday, and two other children are seriously ill of the same disease. Much sympathy has been expressed for the wife and the other children. Mr. Whitney's life was insured in the Royal Good Fellows about six months ago, and but for the three thousand of the insurance the family would be left without means of support. The bodies are to be taken to Barre, Mass., which was Mr. Whitney's old home.

—On Thursday last, Miss Marion Talbot, Boston, gave for the pupils of Lasell Seminary, the first of a course of lectures on the principles of "Home Sanitation." This will be illustrated in many ways, and accompanied by inspection by the pupils, in small parties, of the ventilation, cellarage, plumbing, etc., of the seminary. This is to be a regular branch of teaching in the school, and hereafter it is hoped to have, besides the lectures, small classes in "How to make a Home Healthy," with examinations of buildings, good and bad, in the neighborhood and Boston. We believe Lasell is the first school to give regular instruction in this important department of "practical knowledge." The lectures are at 4.30 p. m., Thursdays, vacations excepted.

—"Pass me the butter, Charles," she said. "She has been a widow, she had married again, and they too, had gone to Washington to begin the honeymoon. My name is George," he said, coldly and with discriminating emphasis. "I know it, George," she replied; "you must excuse me. I was misled. It is the same butter."—"Puck."

## WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AT GRAND ARMY HALL.

The organization of Chas. Ward Post's Women's Relief Corps 96 was consummated Thursday at G. A. R. Hall, Newtonville. The institution of the corps according to the secret ritual of the order took place in the afternoon, and the public installation in the evening. The corps is a very large one and the outlook very bright. The membership will probably be much increased in the near future.

It was nearly nine o'clock when the public services began in Masonic Hall, in which was gathered a large audience, consisting of the members of the corps, "nearly two hundred strong," the Post, members of the city government, and other invited guests. The department was represented by Mrs. L. A. Turner, D. S. V. P.; Mrs. E. D. Lowd, D. J. V. P.; Miss Mary E. Elliott, department secretary; Mrs. Hattie A. Ralph, D. T.; Mrs. M. E. Knowles, D. C.; Mrs. Angela H. Scranton, D. A.; Mrs. H. L. Read, N. A.; Mrs. M. E. Lawton of the department council and many others. The members of the Post were in uniform and many of the ladies were in evening dress. Prayer by the chaplain opened the exercises, following which, the names of the officers elect were read by the secretary. Mrs. S. Agnes Parker of Brockton then gave the charge to the senior and junior vice presidents and the treasurer; having taken the obligation, the officers were invested with the insignia of their rank and conducted to their respective chairs. The same ceremony was observed in installing the other officers, except the President, Dr. Mary E. Bates, the audience standing until she had been seated. The general charge to the officers was given, the officers were presented to the corps, and the ceremony was at an end.

At the request of Commander Sylvester City Solicitor Slocum presented the President with a gavel, the gift of Mrs. Scranton, the handle of which was of wood from the Washington elm in Cambridge. Mr. Slocum accompanied the presentation with a felicitous speech, in which he praised woman's work in the war and to-day. Dr. Bates thanked the installing officers for their kind assistance, and the corps for the honor it had shown her; she called upon the corps to prove the nobility of worth, and the power of gentleness. Mrs. Bates' remarks were well worthy of the applause which greeted them.

Commander Sylvester being called upon by the chair, expressed the gratitude of the Post to the ladies for the interest and earnestness which they have always shown in the welfare of the Post.

His Honor Mayor Kimball as the chief magistrate of the city expressed the pride the city feels in its Post and its Women's Relief corps. The mayor's speech was much enjoyed, especially the reference to the election of the officers on one ticket and with singular unanimity.

Further remarks were made by Mrs. Turner and others. During the evening the High school orchestra rendered several selections, Miss A. G. Smith, vocal solos, and Mrs. Knowles gave humorous readings. A bountiful supper was served in the upper hall at the close of the exercises.

The corps officers are as follows: Pres., Dr. Mary E. Bates; S. V. P., Mrs. F. H. King; J. V. P., Mrs. E. S. Diamond; Chaplain, Mrs. K. M. Phipps; Sect., Mrs. M. D. Hills; Conductor, Miss J. M. H. Smith; Guard, Miss M. D. Hills; Assist. Cond., Miss Lattila A. Greene. The first meeting will be on Dec. 21 at 4 p. m. in G. A. R. hall, Newtonville.

Noticeable among the many rich and elegant toilets worn by the ladies were the following: Mrs. Dr. Bates, a handsome gown of dark, rich garnet velvet with princess train and diamond solitaires; Mrs. King, black velvet with train, low corsage and point lace; Mrs. Diamond, black lace over black satin; Mrs. A. G. Brown, heavy corded silk with cream white lace and flowers; Mrs. Geo. M. Fiske, heavy black silk with train, lace, and diamond solitaires.

—Newton Cottage Hospital.

The following amounts have been received on account of "Hospital Sunday," since last week's report:

New Church Society, Newtonville, \$100.00

Church, Newton, 14.75

St. Paul's Church, Highlands, 6.60

North Evangelical, Nonantum, 3.67

Previously acknowledged, \$125.50

Total, \$1,413.52

There are ten more churches that should be heard from. Mr. S. R. Urbino, formerly of this city, has surprised us with a Christmas present of twenty-five dollars towards current expenses.

The Silver Lake Co., through H. W. Wellington, Esq., Treas., have kindly renewed their subscription of \$300, for a free bed for one year.

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## A DEAR LITTLE SCHEMER.

BY M. M. D.

There was a little daughter once, whose feet were—oh so small!  
That when the Christmas Eve came round, they wouldn't do at all.  
At least she said they wouldn't, and so she tried another's,  
And folding her wee stocking up, she shyly took her mother's.

"I'll pin this big one here," she said,—then sat before the fire,  
Watching the supple, dancing flames, and shadows darting by her.  
Till suddenly she drifted off to that queer land, you know,  
Of "Somewhere in particular," where sleepy children go.

She never knew the tumult rare that came upon the roof!  
She never heard the patter of a single reindeer hoof!  
She never knew how Some One came and looked his shrewd surprise  
At the wee foot and the stocking—so different in size!

She only knew, when morning dawned, that she was safe in bed.  
"It's Christmas! Ho!" and merrily she raised her pretty head.  
Then, wild with glee, she saw what "dear Old Santa Claus" had done,  
And ran to tell the joyous news to each and every one!

"Mamma! Papa! Please come and look! A lovely doll, and all!"  
And "See how full the stocking is! Mine would have been too small."  
I borrowed this for Santa Claus. It isn't fair, you know,  
To make him wait forever for a little girl to grow.

## AUNT MEHITABEL'S LEGACY.

BY PERISS F. CHASE.

"Good afternoon, Mis' Peabody, I thought I would just run in and tell you about Miss Cranfield—she's dead," said Mrs. Johnson, as she seated herself in a wooden rocking-chair, with a high back and plump cushion, and giving a sigh of satisfaction, either for the comfort of the chair, or that she had some important news to communicate to her neighbor, Mrs. Peabody.

"You don't say so?" replied Mrs. Peabody, who was sitting in a rocking-chair, the counterpart of the one occupied by Mrs. Johnson, knitting. "When did she die? I didn't know she was any worse than usual, but this damp weather makes my rheumatism so bad I don't get out to hear nothin' or see nobody."

"Wall, 'twas sudden. 'Long in the night, 'bout twelve o'clock, I guess, fur I had just heard the rooster crowin', someone came to my bedroom window and rapped. I was kinder sca't, for since Lizzie died I hev been dreadful nervous, but I spoke right out and said, 'Who's there?' 'It's me, Mis' Johnson.' Just as soon as I heard that voice, I knew it was Miss Cranfield's Nancy; you know she kinder liss. I got up and histed the window and said, 'What is the matter, Nancy?' 'Miss Cranfield's got a fit or somethin',' she said, and I went to get Jacob to go for the doctor, and you to go right over. I called Jacob and got him started after the doctor, and then I went over there, but just as soon as I saw Miss Cranfield, I knew there wa'n't no help fur her, she'd got a shock o' num' palsy, and couldn't speak, and didn't sense nothin'."

"The doctor got there 'bout an hour, and did what he could to bring her 'round, but it wa'n't any use, she died about eight o'clock."

"Dre'dful sudden, wa'n't it? but it shows how things do run in families. Her father died of a shock o' num' palsy just so sudden the year after I came here to live. Has Debby been sent for?"

"Yes, the doctor said he would send a telegram to her, as soon as he got to the village, and she will probably be here to-morrow. I told Nancy I would come over in the mornin' and help her do some cookin'."

"I should be glad to go over and help, but I ain't good for nothin' with this rheumatism hangin' about me—wall, I never thought Miss Cranfield treated Debby right, just because she got married, but she's gone now, and most likely she's left her property to her."

"Probably she has. I am sure I hope so. From what I have heard I guess she needs it. Wall, I must go; I thought I would just run in and tell you 'bout it."

Mehitabel Cranfield, who had died so suddenly of paralysis, or "shock o' num' palsy," as Mrs. Johnson called it, had lived all her life in the large, old-fashioned house where she was now lying dead.

The "Cranfield Place" was situated about three miles from the village of Plainfield. The home had been built by Captain Cranfield, who was at one time one of the wealthiest men of the town, but speculations, which promised fairly, but proved delusive, ate up his money, and at the time of his death, which occurred twenty-five years previous to the opening of our story, only the home and a part of the large farm were left Mrs. Cranfield and her two children, Mehitable and Deborah. Mrs. Cranfield only lived a short time after her husband's death, and as there were no near relatives, the two girls were left quite alone. Mehitable, who was several years older than Deborah, took upon herself the entire management of their affairs, which she did to good advantage, turning the butter, poultry, and eggs into money. Indeed, making and saving seemed to be all she cared for. Her peevish ways seemed to be a great trial to Deborah, whose disposition was entirely different, shiftless, Mehitable called her; and when Deborah married William Davidson, a young man of good habits, but poor, she was very angry, and declared, "They might get their living the best way they could, for she should not help them any."

During all the years since her sister's marriage she had abided by this resolve, and had seemed to take a kind of grim pleasure in knowing that Mr. Davidson was not successful in business, and that the money Deborah had received from her father's estate was all spent.

The town where the Davidsons resided was not a day's journey from Plainfield, but Mehitable had never been to visit them, and on the few occasions when Deborah had returned to her old home, her visit had been spoiled by her sister's constant, "I told you so."

The Davidsons had three children, two sons and one daughter, Mehitable, for her aunt. When Hetty, as the little girl was called, was twelve years old, she received an invitation from her aunt to come and make her a visit. This was a great surprise to Mrs. Davidson, as her sister had never taken any interest in her nephews or nieces.

Hetty was delighted with the prospect of going to her mother's old home, that she had been told so much about, but was rather afraid her aunt didn't like little girls very well. However, the invitation was accepted, and Hetty enjoyed her visit very much, and it was evident that Miss Cranfield was pleased with her niece and namesake, as every summer after her first visit, Hetty was invited to spend a month at her aunt's.

At the time of Miss Cranfield's death, Hetty was sixteen years old, a bright winsome girl. She was an excellent scholar, and was ambitious to fit herself for a teacher; but her aunt could not afford to send her away to school, and in the town where they resided the school advantages were very poor. Hetty had told her aunt what her desire was, hoping she might offer to assist her, but she received neither encouragement nor offer of aid from her aunt.

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What Miss Cranfield had done with her money, had long furnished speculation of unflinching interest to her neighbors. That she must have accumulated a considerable sum was certain; and quite recently she had sold some meadow land and some valuable cows. She had often expressed her contempt for banks, and said "she would not trust a cent of money in any of them." Some thought she had concealed her money somewhere about the house, others that she buried it, but this was only surmise, no one knew anything about it, unless it was Squire Jordan, whom she had sent for to draw her will, only a few weeks before her death.

There was a glove manufactory in B. the town where the Davidsons resided, that furnished employment to a large number of people. A certain portion of the work could be done away from the factory, and was given out to those who wished to take it. It was not very remunerative employment, but by practice and celerity was acquired in doing the work, that made even the small amount received quite an object. Both Mrs. Davidson and Hetty had become very skillful in this business. All their clothing and many things necessary for the comfort of the home were bought with money earned in this way.

Mr. Davidson was employed at the factory as book-keeper, but the small salary he received was barely sufficient to pay the rent and buy provisions. The two sons, William and Frank, who were older than Hetty, had gone West, hoping to make a home there, when they were to send for their parents.

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"I wish this house I now live in, and furniture it contains, sold as soon as possible after my death, and after whatever debts there may be, be paid, from the funds arising from the sale of said house and furniture, I bequeath the remainder thereof to the New England Foreign Missionary Society.

"I appoint H. W. Jordan as executor of this my last will and testament.

"In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, and publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in presence of the witnesses named below, this—day of—in the year—

Signed, sealed and delivered by said Mehitable Cranfield, as her last will and testament, in presence of us who, at her request and in her presence and in presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto.

H. W. JORDAN.  
JOHN WEATHERS.  
NANCY BROWN.

"Oh, is that all?" said Mrs. Davidson, as Squire Jordan began to fold up the paper. "Yes, Mrs. Davidson, it is all. You are probably as surprised as I was when I drew this will. The careful and prudent manner in which your sister has lived for more than thirty years, has given reason to suppose that her earnings, although her income was small, must have amounted to considerable. The meadow lot was sold for six hundred dollars, to my knowledge, and her four Jersey cows brought five hundred dollars. What has become of this money? When Miss Cranfield gave me the items for the will, I asked her if she had not some funds to dispose of, she replied she had not. I would advise that a thorough examination of her effects be made, some memorandum may be found giving account of the disposition of this money. I will come here to-morrow, when you can consult me in regard to any arrangements you may wish to make. I will now bid you all good night," and bowing to those present the lawyer took his leave.

As the door closed behind him, Mrs. Davidson burst into tears.

"Oh, mother, don't cry," said Hetty, going to her mother and kissing her.

"No, Mis' Davidson, don't you cry. I believe that money is hid somewhere round the house."

"Oh, Mrs. Johnson, it is not the money; but I am so sorry to have this old home sold to strangers. How could Mehitable wish it?"

"Wall, don't worry. Perhaps we shall find the money, and then you can buy the home. I will come over to-morrow and help you hunt for it. I guess I must be goin' now. Hetty, you better get your ma to bed, she's all tired out. Good night."

"Now, is that so, Mrs. Johnson? What was it?"

"Wall, she left Mis' Davidson her silver spoons, clothin' and beddin', and Hetty her old brass andirons, and every namable thing besides is to be sold and the money sent to the heathin'. What do you think of that?"

"Good land, Mis' Johnson! What heathin'?"

"I don't know what heathin'; folks on 't'other side the world somewehes, I suppose."

"Dear me, I am dreadful sorry for Mis' Davidson."

"So be it. But perhaps we shall find the money, and then you can buy the home. I will come over to-morrow and help you hunt for it. I guess I must be goin' now. Hetty, you better get your ma to bed, she's all tired out. Good night."

"Why, ye see, there wa'n't a bit of money mentioned in the will, and Squire Jordan don't know, nor nobody else, what she did with what she got for her land, you know she sold it all, and her cows, and what has become of the money she's saved these twenty years? You know she never spent nothin'."

"No, she never spent nothin', but like enough she sent it to the heathin' folks. She was dreadful odd, you know."

"Yes, I know she was, but I can't help thinkin' that money is hid somewhere. Wall, I must be goin'."

"Hetty," said Mrs. Davidson, "this searching among your aunt's things is useless. I have spent the whole morning looking over the papers in my desk, and there is nothing of any importance here. Squire Jordan has been here, and tells me there is no objection to our taking what your aunt left us now, as he is the executor, we have only to give him a receipt. It seems to me I can never come here again."

"Yes, mother, I think we may as well go home. Mrs. Johnson has searched every place where money could possibly be hidden, and even she is discouraged. Must I take the andirons?"

"Yes, certainly, they are yours."

"I don't see what we are to do with them, we have not a fireplace in the house. If Aunt Mehitable had not requested me to keep them, I would leave them here to be sold with the other things. I might get enough for them to buy me a new dress, which I need badly enough."

"Oh, no, Hetty, I could never have them sold, even if your aunt had not wished you to keep them, they are associated with some of the pleasantest of my life. Has Mrs. Johnson gone home?"

"No, I ain't," said Mrs. Johnson, stepping into the room, just as Mrs. Davidson was inquiring for her, "but I am just goin'." I tell you what, Mis' Davidson, Nancy and I have rummaged round considerable, and if there is any money hid, I can't find it."

"I was just telling Hetty, Mrs. Johnson, that this searching among my sister's things is useless, besides being very unpleasant to me. Mehitable, no doubt, disposed of her money as she thought best. If she had wished me to have had it, she would have given it to me. You have been very kind. Nancy has told me how much you have assisted her. If you could come over in the morning and help me pack the bedding, I should be very much obliged."

"Yes, of course I'll come, but it does seem a shame that you should have to leave this home. It's cur'us that Miss Cranfield should have thought so much more of the heathin' than she did of her folks, but some folks is awful queer. Dear me, how I wish I had a magic wand, I'd be sure to come over in the mornin'."

andirons will not go into any of the boxes."

"O, yes, they will, quite easily, when they are taken apart."

"I did not know they could be taken apart."

"Well, that is not strange, Hetty, as you have never had any andirons to take care of, as I did when I was a girl. They are put together with screws. I have often taken them apart to clean. I will come and show you."

The andirons, Hetty's legacy, were uncommonly large and handsome, the upper parts of which were globe-shaped. They had been considered very elegant when Captain Cranfield had brought them home from Boston, and had always stood in the parlor fireplace, more for ornament than use, build up the system. Captain Cranfield had hardly a fire there since her sister's marriage.

"There," said Mrs. Davidson, "they unscrew here and here," touching the different joints. "See how easy this comes off," as she spoke she turned the large ball around, and as she lifted it from its socket a gold piece fell out.

"Oh, mother! mother! the money is found. See! this cavity is full of gold."

"Where, where is the money?" said Mrs. Johnson, who had overheard Hetty's exclamation, and rushed into the room where Mrs. Davidson and Hetty were, followed by Mr. Davidson and Nancy.

"Oh, father, the andirons are full of gold," cried Hetty.

"For the land sakes, sure enough, of that don't beat all. Who would ever thought of lookin' there?" said Mrs. Johnson.

In a few moments Mr. Davidson had taken the andirons apart, and the hollow parts were found filled with gold and bank notes. There was also found a folded bit of paper directed to "My Niece Hetty," which Hetty opened, and read the following:

"I made up my mind a good many years ago that I should not put any money in a bank, for some one to run off with. These andirons have been as good and secure a bank as I wanted. There are over five thousand dollars. I have chosen not to mention this money, which I think I can trust you to make a good use of, in my will, but when you discover it you will know why I left you the andirons."

"O, mother! mother! wasn't Aunt Mehitable good to give me all this money? You shall never leave your old home; we will buy it. O, father, we can say good-bye to the glove factory, and I can go to school. Isn't it splendid?"

"O, Miss Hetty, you will not send me back to the poorhouse, will you?"

"No, Nancy, mother will want to keep you I know."

"I don't see what I am to get," said Mrs. Johnson laughing, while the tears ran down her cheeks.

"O, Mrs. Johnson, you don't suppose we shall forget how kind you have been. I can make the prettiest caps, and fit dresses, too. You will be glad to have us for neighbors, I know."

"I guess I shall be glad, child. Mis' Davidson, what do you say? You better pick up this money. It looks kinder reckless to see such a pile of gold and bank bills lyin' round."

This good fortune seemed to Hetty too good to be true, but when the contents of the andirons had been counted and deposited in her bank at Plainfield, and she found herself in possession of a little blue book, and a notice that five thousand five hundred dollars were deposited to her credit, she began to realize it.

After consulting with Squire Jordan it was decided that the Davidsons should remain at the old homestead until the auction, as Hetty was quite determined to purchase the home and furniture. The preliminary proceedings were gone through with as speedily as the law would permit. The auction of the home and furniture took place, and when it was over Hetty found herself in possession of both for a very moderate sum. A few acres of the old farm were purchased from the person who had bought the land, for Mr. Davidson to cultivate, who thought the investment would be more profitable and remunerative than book-keeping at the glove factory; and in a few weeks the family were comfortably settled in their new home, and Hetty began to make preparations to enter—

Seminary, which she did at the commencement of the fall term, and there we will leave her "one of the happiest girls in the world," as she wrote her mother. All owing to Aunt Mehitable's Legacy.—[Portland Transcript.]

—The confederate of the Post Office thief, who broke into the office here a short time ago, has been captured.

Warner's Log Cabin Remedies—old-fashioned, simple compounds, used in the days of our hardy forefathers, are "old timers" but "old reliable." They comprise a "Sarsaparilla," "Hop and Buchu Remedy," "Cough and Consumption Remedy," "Sulphur," for the Hair, "Expectorant," for External Use, "Plasters," "Rose Cream," for Catarrh, and "Liver Pills." They are put up by H. H. Warner & Co., proprietors of Warner's Safe Remedies, and promise to equal the standard value of those great preparations. All druggists keep them.

**Pneumonia.**  
It is generally supposed that pneumonia is due to the accidental penetration of specific microbes into the system, but the observations of M. Jaccoud, a French student of the subject, show that the disease really results from the development of latent conditions, or microbe germs permanently present in the system. A chief condition of such development is a sudden chill, which explains the frequent coincidence of lung affections with abrupt changes of temperature.

**The Holidays.**  
And the colder weather are now rapidly approaching. The joyful season is eagerly anticipated by young folks in thousands of homes; but in nearly all there are one or more ones to whom the cold waves and the storms mean renewed suffering from rheumatic back or limbs. It is not claimed that Hood's Sarsaparilla is a positive specific for rheumatism; we doubt if there is or can be such a remedy. But the remarkable success Hood's Sarsaparilla has had in curing this affection is sufficient reason for those who are suffering to try this peculiar medicine.

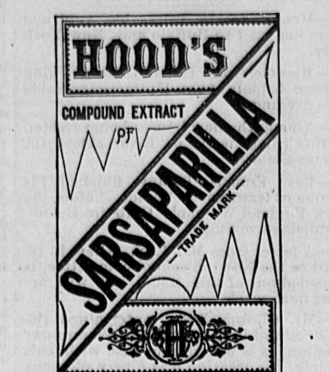
For 30 years I have been troubled with catarrh—have tried a number of remedies without relief. A druggist here recommended Ely's Cream. I have used only one bottle and I can say I feel like a new man. My catarrh was chronic and very bad. I make this voluntary statement that I believe in the benefit of Ely's Cream. (Lawyer, Pawtucket, R. I.)

Two bottles of Ely's Cream have cured the wife of well-known U. S. A. General and also two army officers in Arizona of catarrh. Price 50 cents. Pleasant to use.

"It's only a question of time," and a short time, too, as to when your rheumatism will yield to Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it.

**Rheumatism.**  
Is undoubtedly caused by lactic acid in the blood. This acid attacks the fibrous tissues, and causes the pains and aches in the back, shoulders, knees, ankles, hips, and wrists. Thousands of people have found in Hood's Sarsaparilla a positive cure of Rheumatism. This medicine, by its purifying action, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, and also builds up and strengthens the whole body.

**Many New Ideas**  
In the home cure of diseases, accidents, and how to treat them, and many hints of value to the sick will be found in Dr. Kaufmann's great Medical Work; elegant illustration. Send three 2 cent stamps to A. P. Ordway & Co., Boston, Mass., and receive a copy free.



The importance of purifying the blood cannot be overestimated, for without pure blood you cannot enjoy good health. At this season nearly every one needs a good medicine to purify, vitalize, and enrich the blood, and we ask you to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. It strengthens the system, creates an appetite, and tones the digestion, while it eradicates disease. The peculiar combination, proportion, and preparation of the vegetable remedies used give to Hood's Sarsaparilla a peculiarly curative power. No other medicine has such a record of wonderful cures. If you have made up your mind to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to take any other instead. It is a Peculiar Medicine, and is worthy your confidence.

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100 Doses One Dollar

**SULPHUR BITTERS**

**THE GREAT German Remedy.**

**TRUTHS FOR THE SICK.**

For those deathly Bilious Spillings, it will cure you.

Do you suffer with that tired and aching feeling, or pain at the back of the head, or in the stomach, or in the bowels, or in the joints, or in the muscles, or in the nerves, or in the skin, or in the hair, or in the nails, or in the teeth, or in the eyes, or in the ears, or in the nose, or in the throat, or in the lungs, or in the liver, or in the stomach, or in the bowels, or in the bladder, or in the kidneys, or in the uterus, or in the vagina, or in the prostate, or in the testicles, or in the penis, or in the clitoris, or in the vulva, or in the anus, or in the rectum, or in the sigmoid, or in the cecum, or in the appendix, or in the pancreas, or in the spleen, or in the gallbladder, or in the liver, or in the stomach, or in the bowels, or in the bladder, or in the kidneys, or in the uterus, or in the vagina, or in the prostate, or in the testicles, or in the penis, or in the clitoris, or in the vulva, or in the anus, or in the rectum, or in the sigmoid, or in the cecum, or in the appendix, or in the pancreas, or in the spleen, or in the gallbladder, or in the liver, or in the stomach, or in the bowels, or in the bladder, or in the kidneys, or in the uterus, or in the vagina, or in the prostate, or in the testicles, or in the penis, or in the clitoris, or in the vulva, or in the anus, or in the rectum, or in the sigmoid, or in the cecum, or in the appendix, or in the pancreas, or in the spleen, or in the gallbladder, or in the liver, or in the stomach, or



## BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

## THE OVERLAND.

The Overland Monthly for December is evidently a holiday number, though no story or article deals directly with the holiday season. This appearance is given to it by the illustrations. The delightful bits of river scenery surpass the views of the Santa Clara Valley that made the June Overland a marked number. This time it is Shasta County and the upper Sacramento River that have been presented, and the work is done in that conscientious and artistic style, both in the selection and execution of the pictures and in the descriptive article by Ninetta Eames, that always distinguishes the Overland's work in illustrating the various sections of the State. The value of such articles cannot be over-estimated. There is also an illustrated article on San Diego County, by T. S. Van Dyke. He speaks in an authoritative and convincing style of the resources and possibilities of southernmost California. "Down the Nootack" is an article telling of the scenery to be found in Northern Washington, with some remarkable fish stories added, and "Mid-winter Days at Monterey" is a charming picture of that famous resort by M. H. Field. In fiction the issue is strong. "X, An Unknown Quantity" is a most novel story. "A Mexican Lover" is a close analysis of a phase of character that Americans are prone to misunderstand. In addition to these there are stories, poems, and departments all of the highest degree of merit. The Overland finishes the first five years of its second series and the twenty-five since its beginning in 1883 with the possession and promise of a growth as sturdy and surprising as that of the great country that it represents.

## THE AMERICAN MAGAZINE.

The American Magazine for December is in all its features a Christmas number. The leading article, "Christ-Ideals in American Art," by Wm. H. Ingersoll, gives occasion for the frontispiece, "The Boy Christ Disputing with the Doctors," engraved from a picture by Frank Moss; and a sculptured "Head of Christ," by Launt Thompson, is reproduced in line engraving on the cover. The article is replete with descriptions and illustrations showing how our leading painters and sculptors have represented the ideal Christ. A very interesting account is also given of the origin and history of this ideal, which, according to early traditions, may be traced to a portrait taken in the lifetime of Jesus. Charles Gayarre tells how various means of amusement were provided for rich and poor fifty years ago in New Orleans. "Christmas in the Grand Army" is the story told by one of the surviving members of a society founded among our soldiers during the war. In Mr. Fawcett's story, Olivia begins to find out what sort of a husband she has acquired, and he in turn meets equal surprise in attempting to control her. Salmon fishing in the Caspian river is described in an illustrated article. In another illustrated article, Z. L. White has a pleasant sketch of the discoverer of natural gas at Findlay, O. An interview with Walt Whitman and an ancient version of the love story of Miles Standish will interest literary readers; there are some finished stories, a discussion of new books by Julian Hawthorne, a paper on Home Decorations by Jenny June; Health Jottings for December by Dr. Hutchinson, and poems by Edith M. Thomas, Charles Henry Luders, George Edgar Montgomery, Charles Lotin Hildreth, Hamlin Garland, and Andrew Hussey Allen. The Portfolio has three illustrated articles by well-known authors.

Our Dumb Animals for November is as bright and beautiful as possible. It is finely illustrated, and contains many touching experiences and pleasing stories. In finding a voice for those who cannot speak, Geo. T. Angell and his noble band of followers deserve to be heard by every one, and our Dumb Animals should have a place in every Sunday and day school, every reading-room, and every home in the land. It is doing a grand work, and merits the hearty, sympathetic aid of us all.

## The School Suffrage Law.

The last issue of the Woman's Journal has a very pertinent article in regard to the workings of the school suffrage in Massachusetts, which explains why so few women avail themselves of the law. It says:

"School suffrage does not exist in Massachusetts; only school committee suffrage, a very different thing. The working of woman suffrage for school committee in Massachusetts is good as far as it goes, but it does not go very far. The number of women who have registered in the State during the five years it has been in operation is between 5,000 and 7,000 annually. The number varies from year to year, but does not increase. The average number of women who actually vote is about two-thirds of that number. There are from 400,000 to 500,000 women of voting age in the State, most of whom can read and write, and could therefore become voters by the payment of a poll-tax of fifty cents, and a personal application, annually renewed, to be registered, accompanied by a receipted tax-bill. Of the whole number who apply, from 800 to 2,200 are citizens of Boston. The women who vote, both in city and country, are above the average of male voters in character and social position, and are animated solely by public spirit in so doing. In Boston they have several times taken the initiative in nominating superior candidates for the school board, who have subsequently been taken by one or both parties and elected. Among others whom I now recall are President Francis A. Walker, of the Institute of Technology, and Mr. Samuel Eliot, principal of the Girls' High School. But, for several years past, no candidate has been elected upon the Boston School Board who has not earned the regular Democratic nomination. Merit has nothing to do with the election, which is simply a question of tickets. The quality of the women voters has been all that could be desired, but the number has been too small to be an influential factor, except in exceptional cases. In Woburn, for instance, an attempt having been made by an aggressive Roman Catholic clergyman to control the schools, about one thousand women registered, one year, to prevent or sustain that movement. The result was an anti-sectarian ascendancy, which has since been maintained by a very large annual registration of American women. As a rule, our school committees are nominated by party caucuses, and are elected or defeated by party votes.

Sometimes both parties unite in the same candidate, in which case the nomination is equivalent to an election. There are insuperable difficulties in enlisting any large number of women, viz:

1. The mere right to vote for one or the other candidate for school committee put forward at a party caucus which women are not allowed to attend, is not sufficient to bring out many women, unless, as rarely happens, some point is to be obtained.
2. To qualify requires annually much time and trouble, and in some cases much expense. Women who own small amounts of personal property, such as stock, bonds, etc., often escape taxation. If taxed they would be deprived of one-third of their little dividends. But our school committee suffrage law, until recently, has required every woman voter to render a sworn statement of all her property for taxation. It is paying too dear for so slight a privilege. Again, a woman voter has no voice in regard to school matters, such as buildings, employment of teachers, amount of tax, sanitary regulations, school-books, etc.—only for school committee. Again, the period for registration expires, for poll-tax voters, months before the election, and at a time when many women are absent on their summer vacations. In towns, women have to attend town meetings for hours, sometimes for days, before the matter comes up, and even then there is not always a ballot, but somebody is appointed "to cast the vote of the town" for the only candidate named. Again, only a part of the school committee is chosen annually. A woman who pays no poll-tax has to apply to be taxed; then to pay the tax; then to take her tax receipt to the registrars; then to show that she can read and write; so that it takes considerable time and trouble to get her name on the list, and all for so little that women show their common sense by declining to do it, unless they do it on principle, in the hope of larger rights in the future. Probably not five hundred men in our State would vote under such conditions, and the fact that several thousand women annually do so is an unprecedented instance of public spirit.

## Miscellaneous.

AN ORIENTAL TALE.  
There once was a gay Turkish Pacha, Who winked—what on earth could be racial— As he sat by Sultan's best wife, And for that lost his life.

The moral is: Don't be a macha! —[Life]

It is no honor for a man to run ahead of a ticket when he is travelling on a railroad. —[Burlington Free Press.]

When you have to pay a dollar an hour for a one-horse sleigh it's easy to understand what is meant by a revenue cutter. —[Duluth Paraphraser.]

Call to little Bobby, "Bobby, what makes your eyes so bright?" Bobby (after a little thought). "I des it's cause I haint had 'em in very long." —[Texas Siftings.]

Counterfeit postal cards have been put in circulation, and we sincerely hope they are made of stock that one may write on without sticking his pen through. —[Lowell Citizen.]

Gilhooley—"That is a good picture of your wife. It is a speaking likeness." Col. Yegger—"I should say so. It is so much like her that I stuff cotton in my eyes whenever I look at it." —[Texas Siftings.]

Last night, as a mother was bathing her little girl of six summers, the last of which was spent at the seashore, the little one looked into the tub, the bottom of which was just covered, and said: "I can't bathe now, mamma, 'cause the tide's not in." —[Buffalo Express.]

When a man comes home late at night, after working hard all the evening at the office on the books, it is mean for his wife to require him to say: "Say, should such a shapely sash shabby stitches show" before she will unbutton the front door. —[Journal of Education.]

"John, I am afraid we can't go to the theatre any more," said a Chicago woman to her husband. "No, I'm afraid we can't, money is getting very tight." "I shall miss it dreadfully." "So shall I." "What shall we do?" "I have it. We'll hang your big hat on the back of baby's chair, and sit and look at it." —[Merchant Traveler.]

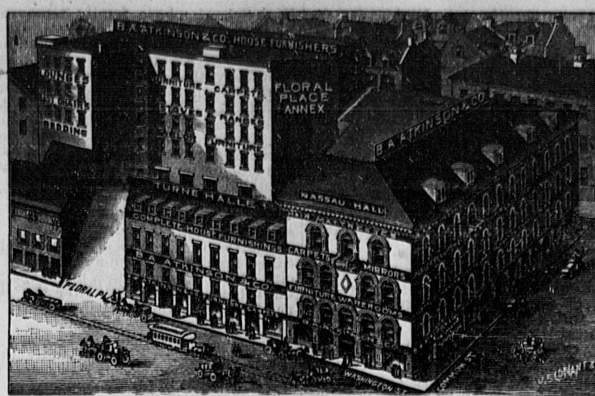
Inquisitive Passenger (to fellow-passenger)—"So you're going East, stranger?" Stranger—"Yep." Inquisitive Passenger—"New York?" Stranger—"Yep." Inquisitive Passenger—"Business?" Stranger—"Yep." Inquisitive Passenger—"What kind?" Stranger—"I'm going to buy the city, if it doesn't cost too much." —[Epoch.]

A Western Incident. In Chicago. The lady is leaning on the arm of an elegant and wealthy young man and leading her little daughter by the hand. Little Daughter—"Oh, mamma, look there! see that gentleman on the other side. Don't you know him?" Mamma—"No, no, my dear." Little Daughter—"Why, mamma, he was papa last year." —[Town Topics.]

The Only Color Line. Uncle Sam—"What's the matter now?" Frontier Citizen—"I stole a farm from a fellow who was on it, and drove him off, and now he is coming back with a lot of his relatives to kill me." "Well, you ought to be killed." "But the fellow I stole the farm from is an Indian." "Oh! Well, I'll order out the army." —[Omaha World.]

"And how are you getting on with your new play?" "Famously. I haven't got so far as the spoken parts yet, and I've made up my mind that I won't have any plot; but I have a dog and a pig in the first act, and three hens and a rooster in the second. But it's in the last act where I put in some real talent. Why, man, I introduce a live snake, an opossum, four cats and ten pigeons; yes, sir, and a donkey to boot." "Old boy! I congratulate you. I see you have got on to the fine literary flapper racket, and your piece can't fail to draw like a porous plaster. You'll be riding in your carriage less than a year hence. It's easy to see you're a genius!" —[Boston Transcript.]

"I don't think I'd go out like that," he said to his wife, who turned to him radiant in a new hat, and fresh from the finishing touches of the toilet. "What's the matter with me?" "Well, I'd wash my face if I were you." "Well, I never! it has taken me two hours to get myself up. Have I put on too much powder?" "No, you have a black smudge clear around your beautiful nose, that's all, my darling." "What!" she screamed, and turned to the glass. "Where on earth can I have got that?" She picked up something in chamois leather from the dressing table, and looked at it. "I declare, if my new powder puff is not completely ruined." "That! That your powder puff?" "Yes; a new thing just out from New York, and there isn't another in town." "That! a powder puff? I used it this afternoon for a penwiper." —[Chicago Tribune.]



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—Miss Turner has leased the Roberts' house on Norwood avenue.

—Mr. Wm. H. Cobb has rented Mr. Gould's house on Elgin street.

—Mr. E. C. Dudley has returned from the west, where he has a ranch.

—See Knapp's new advertisement of Christmas and Holiday goods.

—Mr. Frank Edmonds is convalescent, and is able to go home in Boston.

—Hon. Alden Spence has been elected president of the Boston Wesleyan Association.

—Col. E. H. Haskell is attending the gathering of the Republican clubs in New York this week.

—Wednesday evening was Ladies' night of the Gun club, and the meeting was held at the bowling alley.

—Mrs. Fred Cutter, who has lived here for the last two years, is ill at the Woodland Park Hotel, Auburndale.

—The annual meeting of the Unitarian Society will be held in the church Monday evening, Dec. 19th, at 7.30 p. m.

—The Newton Centre Glee Club is making arrangements for its first dance, to be held in Associates' Hall, Dec. 28.

—Miss Lena Onthank of Paul street has just been given the position of leading actress in the Alma Comedy company.

—Mr. E. F. Cushman and family of Parker street are breaking up house-keeping, preparatory to going to Boston to board for the winter.

—Mr. J. E. Huntress has left Mr. J. J. Peck's, where he and his family have been boarding, and moved into his new house on Summer street.

—The new plank walk in front of the Baptist church is well appreciated, that place having for a year or two been very bad in wet or snowy weather.

—The Women's Auxiliary committee met at Mrs. Charles Groat's on Beacon street, Wednesday afternoon. This committee is working for the Indians.

—Work on the tower of the new Baptist church has been discontinued on account of the frosts, and the structure has been roofed over for the winter.

—The Rev. Lemuel G. Barnes, the pastor of the Baptist church, is moving into the house lately owned and occupied by Mr. T. Edward Bond on Parker street.

—Mr. Avery L. Rand has sold his interest in the Rand Avery company to Messrs. Moses King and Thomas W. Lawson; the sale was consummated last Saturday.

—We understand that the family of the late Dr. Heman Lincoln will soon remove from this village, and that the household furniture is to be sold at auction to-morrow, Saturday.

—The residence of Joseph Gunnison on Centre street was entered one evening of this week; the burglars although they ransacked the house succeeded in getting away with very little plunder.

—The community was pained to hear this week of the serious illness of Mrs. Braddock Crocker, who recently went to Denver for her health. Her mother, Mrs. Charles Eustis, has gone to her.

—Mrs. Hunter of Lake avenue is expected home to-morrow, Saturday, from the West. She went there a short time ago to meet her son and his family from California, who are coming here to spend Christmas.

—The Stebbins Social Aid society met this afternoon, (Friday) at the house of Mrs. Augustus C. Ferry on Warren street. This society is composed of the ladies of the Unitarian church, who meet to sew for the poor.

—The Temperance Union connected with the Congregational church meets in their chapel, Sunday at 7 p.m. Addresses by Rev. George M. Boynton of Jamaica Plain, and music by a male quartet. Everybody is invited.

—A large reception was given last Saturday afternoon and evening, by Mrs. P. C. Bridgeman of Newtonville, in honor of her niece, Miss Eva Brinckerhoff, formerly of Newton Centre; many people from here attended.

—Those who attended the Unitarian church Sunday evening, in spite of the inclement weather, were well repaid. Mr. de Normandie delivered a very strong sermon on our moral obligation, taking for his text Matt. 25-27 "Thou oughtest."

—A much needed improvement is some kind of a sidewalk between the Centre and the High School building. A plank sidewalk on Homer or Walnut street would answer the purpose, and save the High School pupils wading through the mud.

—The second sociable of the season held by the Unitarian society, was at the house of Mrs. James Gamman on Beacon street. A very pleasant evening was passed, during which Mr. Robert Gardner of Lake avenue read some reminiscences of his war experiences.

—Mrs. G. E. Barrow's mother, who was visiting her daughter, died suddenly at the latter's house on Sunday morning. The remains were conveyed to Auburn, Me., where the deceased had her residence, and where her husband now resides.

—Miss Grace Learned, who passed the summer on Lake avenue, held an exhibition of her decorated china on Tuesday and Wednesday at her home on West Concord street, Boston. She is a very talented young artist, and her work is said to be very good.

—At Mr. Henry S. Williams' branch store on Beacon street, can be found all kinds of pretty things suitable for Christmas gifts. He has a large assortment of baskets and Christmas cards, and Newton Centre ladies would do well to look in there before going to Boston to buy.

—Miss Amy Eddy, daughter of Mr. James Eddy of Providence, R. I., and granddaughter of Francis Jackson of Newton, was married at her father's on Thursday, to Dr. Edward M. Harris of Providence. A number of Newton people were among the guests. Dr. and Mrs. Harris will spend the winter in California.

—Quite an interesting meeting of the C. L. S. C. was held Monday evening. A brief but excellent sketch of Milton's home life was given by one of the members. Current events were also a part of the evening's program, after the regular studies of the evening were resumed. Owing to the Christmas holidays our next meeting will be held Dec. 21. The following is the program for that evening: Roll call, quotations from Haw-

thorne, current events, reading from Hawthorne and Lowell, American History from beginning of chapter twentieth to end of chapter twenty-four, American Literature from page 145 to page 197.

—The building committee of the Baptist society have decided that the remaining brick arches must be replaced by wooden ones. Even if in the opinion of competent judges the present structures are safe, a feeling of dread would always attach to them, and it seems a wise measure to replace them by arches that can be depended upon not to bring destruction and death in a sudden collapse.

—Prof. J. M. English gave an excellent address at the meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Superintendents in Boston on Wednesday evening. The subject was "The Teachers' Text Book and how to use it." In his address Prof. English said he wished to speak of that portion of the two-fold work of the teacher which did not relate to the preparation for a particular Sunday or a particular lesson. He would speak of that work of mastering a knowledge of the Scriptures, to which all teachers should address themselves, and without which they could not be thoroughly prepared for particular lessons. The wonderful truths of this book had been lived out by man, and it was because of that that we could grasp its meanings. One way of gaining a mastery of this teachers' text-book was to study its writers, for though really one book, the Bible was yet a series of pamphlets by different authors. The brightest of them stood out like peaks in a great range of mountains. To understand them you must know their characteristics and the experiences and conditions under which they wrote. It was not enough simply to know the writing, but one should also know the experience of the writer. It was necessary to know also the conditions of the people to whom the book was written. But most important was the need of knowing the object of the writer and his motives. There were many books that could not be fully understood, unless their motives were known and considered. Then, too, the study of individual words was profitable, for there was often as much in a word as in a whole sentence. With this knowledge the teacher would come before the class with all help behind and the attention fixed solely on the Bible and an uplifting of the spirit never before known.

—The annual sale of the ladies of the Methodist society was held Thursday evening and will be continued this evening, when the fine program will be repeated, beginning at 8 o'clock. It is as follows: Quartet, Mrs. Dresser, Miss Everett, Messrs. Everett and Hale; solo, Mr. Lovell; reading, Mr. Collins; trio, Mrs. Dresser, Miss Billings, Miss Everett; organ selection, Miss Sturtevant; reading, Mr. Collins; solo, Miss Newell; solo, Mrs. Dresser, with violin obligato by Mr. Sturtevant; Miss Sturtevant and Miss Babcock, accompanists.

—On Friday of last week a family by the name of Allen, residing on Homer street, reported at police headquarters that their little child had strayed away from home and was lost. The different officers of the city were immediately notified by telephone, and thorough search was at once instituted all over the city.

—It remained for Officer Purcell of this village to find the lost one, which he did with remarkable promptness, as in 15 minutes from the time of receiving the notice Mr. Purcell had found the little one and taken her to the home of her parents. Officer Purcell has the reputation of being keen-sighted and also being prompt of action, but this fact that his record is right here, it is well to remind evil doers, that this same officer is just as keen-sighted and will act just as promptly, should occasion require it, in pursuing and capturing older ones, as in the case of the little child.

—The choir of St. Mary's are rehearsing some fine music for Christmas.

—Cyrus Washburn has begun two new houses on the hill below his own residence.

—Baggage-master Geo. Reed has moved to the house on Concord street, recently vacated by Mr. Lumbert.

—It is rumored that Superintendent Ford of the D. H. mills is to occupy Mr. Eaton's new house on Wales street.

—On the 13th the U. S. District Court brought an indictment against Charles Murphy for entering the post office in this place.

—Rev. Dr. Shinn of Grace church exchanged with the pastor of St. Mary's last morning at St. Mary's church at 6.30, and a Christmas tree and festivity for children old and young in the chapel.

—The family of the late Mrs. Abbott, wife of Judge Abbott, will place a memorial of her in St. Mary's at an early day. It will be a pulpit of oak, finely carved.

—In the contest for the fireman's hat, which took place last week at the Catholic church fair, Assistant-Chief Cunningham of the Wellesey department won an easy victory, receiving 530 votes to 130 for Chief Adams of Needham.

—The sale held lately by St. Mary's Guild was very successful. The many beautiful and useful articles were disposed of rapidly, and the social gathering was unusually pleasant. One hundred and fourteen dollars added to the treasury shows the result. This will be used partly for the parish and part for missionary needs.

—The Newton Men at St. Paul.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 8, 1887.

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—Frank K. Foster, the noted labor orator, gave a lecture in Old School House hall, on Wednesday evening, before the Knights of Labor, his subject being, "Workingmen's duty to themselves."

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—The cane which was voted at the Catholic Fair to the most popular employer of our village, was given to Mr. Train of the silk mill. His friends procured the cane on Saturday evening and chartered a large, drove to his residence at Newton, where they were received by the genial host and royally entertained.

—The alarm from Box 61 at 11.15 Thursday night was for a fire in a small barn on High street, owned by Lewis Hurd and used for storage purposes. Hose 7 responded with its usual promptness, and owing to its efficiency the fire was quickly subdued. It was probably of incendiary origin; the loss was about \$75.00 with no insurance.

—The annual sale of the ladies of the Methodist society was held Thursday evening and will be continued this evening, when the fine program will be repeated, beginning at 8 o'clock. It is as follows: Quartet, Mrs. Dresser, Miss Everett, Messrs. Everett and Hale; solo, Mr. Lovell; reading, Mr. Collins; trio, Mrs. Dresser, Miss Billings, Miss Everett; organ selection, Miss Sturtevant; reading, Mr. Collins; solo, Miss Newell; solo, Mrs. Dresser, with violin obligato by Mr. Sturtevant; Miss Sturtevant and Miss Babcock, accompanists.

—On Friday of last week a family by the name of Allen, residing on Homer street, reported at police headquarters that their little child had strayed away from home and was lost. The different officers of the city were immediately notified by telephone, and thorough search was at once instituted all over the city.

—It remained for Officer Purcell of this village to find the lost one, which he did with remarkable promptness, as in 15 minutes from the time of receiving the notice Mr. Purcell had found the little one and taken her to the home of her parents. Officer Purcell has the reputation of being keen-sighted and also being prompt of action, but this fact that his record is right here, it is well to remind evil doers, that this same officer is just as keen-sighted and will act just as promptly, should occasion require it, in pursuing and capturing older ones, as in the case of the little child.

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—The "Doctor of Alcatraz" is to be given by the Channing Literary Union in January.

—Thomas B. Hitchcock of Amherst is spending the Christmas vacation in Newton.

—George Linder, Jr., was awarded several prizes at the poultry show in Lynn last week.

—Mr. Glines has secured some excellent pictures of the officers of Garden City Encampment.

—Mr. Benjamin F. Merritt of this city has been granted a patent for an employee's recorder.

—A number of residents of Mount Ida have formed a new social organization, and named it the Hillside Club.

—A desirable Christmas present—fifty-two reminders each year of the donor—a year's subscription to the GRAPHIC.

—The High School alumni are looking forward to a pleasant reunion at the "Review" reception next Wednesday evening.

—The Christmas festival for the children of Grace church will take place next Wednesday evening in the parish house.

—Mr. Fred A. Hubbard, of the firm of Hubbard & Procter, has rented the house corner of Washington and Thornton streets.

—Miss McKen of Miss Porter's celebrated school in Farmington, Conn., is spending the holidays at Mrs. Frankland's.

—The American Express company have opened an office in Brackett's new block, and will attend to all Newton express business. See adv.

—The children of the Eliot church will have a Christmas tree and festival in Eliot Lower Hall to-morrow afternoon, commencing at five o'clock.

—The children of the Channing church will have their Christmas concert on Sunday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Buckley of Concord and the pastor will speak.

—The Eliot Young Ladies' Foreign Mission Society held its annual meeting Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Young was present and made an interesting address.

—Eliot Hall is fragrant with evergreen and the walls have been festooned with green in much the same way as those of the old meeting house were last Christmas.

—The Nonantum Cycle Club hold their regular monthly meeting on Saturday of this week. Last Saturday evening the members found great sport in a donkey party.

—The senior class in English Literature at Boston University will be in charge of Mr. A. C. George of the Newton High School, during the winter and spring term.

—The pupils of the Watertown grammar school have purchased a handsome French clock of Theo. L. Mason, Eliot block, to be given to their teacher, Miss Carr, who is soon to be married.

—Garden City Encampment elected the following officers on Monday evening: C. P. G. Brock; H. P. W. H. Pearson; S. W. H. C. Bates; J. W. R. Oldrieve; F. S. Geo. A. Fewkes; Treas., Mr. Robbins.

—We call the attention of our readers again to the plan of commemorating the birthday of Christ by special gifts to the Hospital. Enclose money in an envelope marked, "For the Hospital," and hand to the nearest Newton post-office.

—Mr. C. J. Bailey has rented the Turner estate on Bellevue street, from Mrs. Riley, and will occupy it until spring, when the owner will take possession. Mr. Hano, the purchaser of Mr. Bailey's residence, will occupy it early in January.

—The Ladies' Society of Eliot church has decided to accept Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Cobb's invitation to hold the annual social gathering of the congregation at their residence. The social will probably occur during the second week of January, and a pleasant time may be confidently expected.

—Mr. W. Jacques lectured on "Electricity" before the Brotherhood of Grace church, last Monday night. There was a large attendance of young men. The lecture was made all the more interesting by some experiments, showing the construction of the telephone and telegraph.

—The Christmas Concert of the Methodist Sunday School will be given next Sunday evening, Dec. 25, at 7 o'clock. The school has been rehearsing new and attractive carols, and a program of recitations and readings will no doubt make up an evening of profit and enjoyment. All cordially invited.

—The Boston Record says: Citizens of Newton think that the new "Newton Club," which is to be opened Monday evening at Newtonville, is to prove a great factor in uniting more closely the "seven distinct municipalities" of that city. May their hopes prove well founded.

—The custom of keeping open house on New Year's Day seems to be firmly established in Newton, and this year Monday, Jan. 2nd, will be observed. Ladies who intend to receive their friends are invited to make their announcements in the GRAPHIC. It is said that the day will be much more generally observed than last year.

—The Inspection of company C, 5th regiment, M. V., took place at Armory Hall, Monday evening. The inspecting officers were Maj. Frost and Quartermasters Barnes. There were 45 men and two officers present. Private A. B. Hayden was presented with a gold medal, the highest prize for best sharpshooter in the third class.

—The Newton Baptist Sunday School will observe Christmas by a concert on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The program prepared includes music appropriate to the season, Carols by the children, Recitations, Reading and an address by the pastor. Those who may attend will find the evening pleasantly and profitably spent.

—On Monday evening, Eliot Lodge K of H, re-elected the old board of officers as follows: P. D., L. E. G. Green; Dict., A. H. Sisson; V. D., A. Greenwood; A. D., I. B. Harrington; Gds., J. H. Walker; Rep., E. W. Vose; Chap., G. P. Atkins; F. R., A. S. Bryant; Treas., W. C. Gaudet; Gdu. D., H. Fitch; Sec., H. W.

Bigelow; Trust's, F. W. Stevens, G. P. Atkins, D. H. Fitch.

—Another very interesting letter from Southern California is given in this issue, and the writer is evidently enjoying the change from the trying climate of Newton. The letters have been read with great interest by Newton people, and copies of last week's GRAPHIC have been in great demand. Every one is interested in Southern California at this season, aside from the deserved popularity of the writer.

—Some of our wealthy citizens could hardly make better use of a portion of their means than by erecting a building for the Newton Natural History Society. What is needed is a two story brick structure with rooms on the first floor for the cabinets and specimens. On the second there should be a hall seating about 200 persons. One thousand dollars would buy a lot and build the structure. Who will do it?

—Mr. H. P. Kenway conducted the Y. M. C. A. meeting in Eliot Lower Hall last Sunday. He presented the very beautiful story of Ruth in a very interesting way, and was followed by others enforcing the practical lessons to be gathered from it. Mr. C. A. Haskell will have charge of the Christmas service next Sunday. Some solo and quartet singing will make a very interesting occasion. Praise Service at 3.45.

—Mr. Henry C. Daniels, proprietor of the Nonantum Stables, met with a painful and serious accident on Thursday morning. While leading a high-spirited horse through the yard, the animal reared, throwing Mr. Daniels to the ground. In falling, he struck his left knee on the hard frozen earth, breaking the knee-pan. He was removed to his home, where he was attended by Dr. Hosmer. His injuries will confine him to the house for some time.

—The following officers of the local branch of the Iron Hall were elected on Tuesday evening: C. J., L. B. Harrington; V. D., O. S. W. Bailey; Act., A. W. B. Huff; Cash., J. G. T. Ady; A. A. Glines; Prel., B. F. Barlow; Her., J. H. Maynard; Watch., Dr. F. W. Webster; Vid., J. F. Warren; P. C. J., G. F. Williams; Trustees, A. S. Bryant, H. Collins, W. H. Pearson. The meetings will be held hereafter on the first Friday in each month instead of on Tuesday evening.

—The church of the Good Shepherd of Watertown have broken ground on the corner of Mt. Vernon street and Russell avenue in that town for their new church building. The society has been organized for some years, but has hitherto held services in the Town Hall. The church is to be an attractive stone structure, which will seat some 250 people, with a parish house and Sunday School room. The cost is to be \$11,000, and the plans were drawn by A. F. Haynes.

—The colors for Christmas are white and gold, and there is no more joyful combination of color. White is the perfect union of all colors, and always the emblem of holiness and purity. Yellow may be used with the same significance as white, representing joy and gladness. The two colors typify joy, gladness and life. The other colors suitable for Christmas are red, which symbolizes God's love, and green for the bountifulness of God. It is well to remember these colors in Christmas gifts, and so make use of them.

—An excellent report of Dr. Bates' last lecture has been handed in to this office, which was written by one of the smaller grammar school boys. It is a remarkable report for a boy, and we shall be glad to make room for it next week. That the younger portion of her audience obtained such a clear idea of the general scope of the lecture is a great compliment to Dr. Bates. Lecturers who can arouse the interest of the young people are sure of gaining that of their older hearers.

—The attendance at Prof. Fiske's lecture on the "Puritan Exodus," in the Channing church, while larger than at the other lectures, was not as large as the subject and the speaker would lead one to expect. For Prof. Fiske stands in the front rank of the thinkers and speakers of this country. On Thursday evening he sketched the causes that led to the rise of the Separatists in England, speaking of the Lollards, the Reformation under Henry VIII, the influence exerted by Calvin, and the final separation during the reign of James I.

—A Christmas tree, yes, two of them will be filled next Saturday evening, Dec. 24, at 7 o'clock at the Methodist church. Santa Claus is invited and will be along very soon after, and the children of the Sunday School expect to be remembered by him. The Committee on Entertainment have done their duty, and you will no doubt be entertained by what they have provided. Those wishing to send presents will find a committee at the church any time after 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. All invited, especially children.

—The services in Grace church on Christmas Day will be at 10.45 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Also at 8.30 a. m. in the chapel. At 4 p. m. there will be a baptismal service, and at 9.30 a. m. the ceremony of dedicating the new memorial windows will take place. The music for the 10.45 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. services has been selected with great care and good taste, and is of the most delightful character, including anthems by eminent composers. The three memorial windows which have been put in the north wall of the church are in memory of the late Henry H. Linder. They are very beautiful and will add greatly to the effect of the interior. A more complete description of the windows will be given after the dedication.

—At Eliot church on Christmas day, the morning service will be the Sunday school concert, at which time the Young People's Choir will render the following selections:

Carol—The Starry Night of Old, Danks

Carol—For unto us a Child is Born, Roberts

Hymn—Lo! A Star, Marshall

Carol—The Morning Star, Pond

Antiphon—Angels from the Realms of Glory, Marshall

Sermon by Rev. Wolcott Calkins, Pastor.

At the evening service, 7 p. m., the regular choir of the church will render the following selections:

Antiphon—Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings, Ruby

Hymn—Calm on the Listening Ear of Night, Warren

Song—The Watchful Shepherds, Marston

Trio—Hark! the Joyous Bells, (female voices), Williams

Antiphon—Christians, Awake! A. G.

—Dr. Mary E. Bates gave her third and last lecture in the Read fund course, Tuesday evening, to the largest audience of the season. The special subject was the circulation of the blood, and it was

finely illustrated, Mr. Bates managing the stereopticon. The lecture was very interesting, and the speaker received abundant evidence of approval in the way of applause. These health lectures have been full of valuable hints for the people, and the facts were presented by Dr. Bates in such an interesting and striking way that they could be easily retained in memory. Mrs. Bates has had many invitations to go upon the lecture platform, and her success in the Read fund course shows that she is well qualified to win success in this way, if she thought it wise to abandon her large and lucrative practice.

—A little girl attending the Bigelow School was hit in the head by two snow balls thrown by the boys of the school, Monday noon, and came into school with such a white face that her teacher was alarmed and asked her what was the matter. Monday night the little girl was delirious and has not been able to attend school since. There are many complaints about the rough behavior of the Bigelow school boys on the streets, but this practice of snowballing little girls should be stopped, and the police should be called upon if necessary. It would also be a good idea for a policeman to be stationed in the post office, when the boys make their boisterous assaults upon that institution after every school session. The street manners of the school boys need looking after both by parents and teachers.

—The customary Christmas box was sent off this week by the scholars in Miss Shelton's room at the Bigelow School, its destination being a mission school for colored children at the West End of Boston. A box has been sent by the pupils in this room for a number of years, the special object being to teach the children the pleasure of doing something to make happy those less fortunate than themselves. Outgrown playthings, books and clothing are contributed, and this year former pupils and friends have united to make the box more valuable than ever before. All the children were interested, and the gifts came in great variety, comprising a great number of new books, games, toys, dolls, skates, a new sled, a type writer, clothing, candy and other things in great variety. The children have evidently learned the pleasure of giving, as the interest which every one manifested proved. The moral lesson taught by the annual box is quite as valuable as any of the other lessons taught in the school. It should be said also, that the distribution of the gifts is in wise and careful hands, and as one of the pupils remarked, the box was packed full of happiness for poor children.

—The following selections will be used at the morning service at the Channing church on Christmas day:

Organ Prelude—Chorus of Shepherds, By J. Lemmon

Opening Anthem—Christian Awake, By F. A. Schnochor

Antiphon—There Were Shepherds, By Carl Pfeiffer

Trio for Ladies—Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices, By C. St. Saens

Antiphon—The Grace of God That Brings Salvation, By J. Darby

Organ Postlude—Offertory in C, By Alexander Leprovost

\* The music will be rendered by the regular quartet. Miss Mary Shophord, soprano; Miss Annie R. Caley, alto; Mr. Arthur F. Burnett, tenor; Mr. Karl S. Hackett, bass; Mr. R. H. Clouston, Jr., organist and director. At the morning service of the Newtow Baptist church there will be preaching by the pastor, Rev. H. F. Titus, and the following organ music will be rendered:

Aria—He Shall Feed His Flocks, From the Messiah, Handel

Postlude—O Great is the Depth, From St. Paul, Mendelssohn

In the evening there will be a Christmas service by the Sunday school, consisting of carols, recitations, &c., with marks by the pastor. Following are the organ selections:

Christmas Offertorium, Yennens

Offertorium—From the Cecilia Mass, Gounod

Hallelujah Chorus—From the Messiah, Handel

## BURGLARS IN NEWTON.

TWO RESIDENCES ENTERED LAST SATURDAY MORNING.

The residences of Hon. J. S. Farlow on Waverly avenue, and of Mr. E. G. Scrip- ture on Monument avenue, were entered early last Saturday morning, and a large amount of valuables taken. The robberies occurred about 4 o'clock. At Mr. Farlow's an entrance was gained through the dining room window, which the thieves forced open. They then proceeded to Mr. Farlow's room, got possession of his clothing, and finding the key to his safe in one of the pockets, coolly went to work and removed the entire contents. The articles stolen were: One cluster diamond pin and earrings, valued at \$1,500; silver medal of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, valued at \$50; one pair silver sugar tongs, valued at \$10; gold lined silver salt service, valued at \$25; silver mug, marked "George Linder, 1844-1868"; silver mug marked "J. F. L."; one silver knife and fork, marked "N. B. M."; silver fork, marked "E. B. F."; silver fork, marked "H. F."; a pearl bracelet; one pair coral earrings; one old fashioned gold locket, and other articles.

After getting possession of these one of the gang went to investigating the contents of a bureau in the bedroom, which awakened Mrs. Farlow. At first she mistook the man for her husband, but her exclamation alarmed the man and he fled. The whole household was at once alarmed and an active search made, but no trace of the thieves could be discovered. As nothing was missing from the bureau it was at first supposed that the thieves had been frightened away before securing much plunder, and the loss of the articles from the safe was not discovered until morning. The police were then notified but no clue has yet been obtained.

At Mr. Scripture's the thieves entered by a hall window which had been left unfastened, and a small quantity of silver ware, including a dozen silver spoons and a silver napkin ring, and a blue beaver overcoat belonging to Mr. Scripture's son were stolen.

Mr. Farlow's house was broken into about two years ago and a large amount of valuable property taken. The safe was opened in precisely the same manner, and the recent robberies are thought to be the work of the same gang.



## THE CONGREGATIONAL CLUB.

AN INTERESTING ADDRESS BY REV. RUFEN THOMAS OF BROOKLINE.

The Congregational Club held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, a social and supper occupying the early portion of the meeting. The topic for discussion was appropriate to the near approach of Forefather's Day,—"The self-denying spirit of the Pilgrim Fathers, the demand of the present hour." Rev. Dr. Rufen Thomas of Brookline made the opening address, speaking in his usual forcible, interesting style. Though an Englishman by birth and education, Dr. Thomas is thoroughly American in his sympathies, and appreciates the grand characteristics of the Pilgrims. The speaker prefaced his remarks with allusions to the trials and self-denial of the Forefathers, and paid a high tribute to their character in public and private life, their steadfastness of conviction, their self-denial and the grand principles of government which they put in practice. Turning to the lessons to be drawn from their lives, the speaker said we must deny ourselves to-day, must overcome the temptations to self-indulgence that everywhere present themselves to us. Not only the church members, the professing Christians, but all men should deny themselves the gratification of the lower desires for the sake of the higher. And when we want men, nowadays, to deny themselves, it is not sufficient to say, "It is God's will," and expect them to accept it as such, and obey; we must show that the demands upon them appeal to their reason, and that the obedience will result in good for themselves.

In addressing Christians it is necessary to show that the self-denial is, first, the will of God; second, that it will cause the individual to be happier and better, and this is reasonable. It is a part of the nature that God has given us to look for reasonableness in all demands upon us. We cannot do God's will by simply imitating the Pilgrims and following their customs. The principle of action should be the same, but the acts must be determined by circumstances. The Pilgrims lived noble, heroic lives because they thought more of the spirit than of the body—of the future more than of the present.

Ministers can not bring about a spirit of self-denial by preaching it. The most effective way of inculcating self-sacrifice is to lift the cross of Christ, to preach His life and His death. Even when this is done too many remark, "That point was well made," but they fail to carry with them from the church the lesson of the hour. I once knew a clergyman in Maine who had the reputation of being a little peculiar. He came before his audience one day and told them that he had seen no change because of his sermon on the Sunday preceding, and that he was going to preach the same sermon again. In the old country I once had a similar experience though not exactly the same. I went to a church where no minister had staid more than a year. I preached and preached from that portion of Corinthians which speaks of charity suffering long and being kind. Some left the congregation, which was the best thing they could do; the rest got a new idea of charity, and realized that a true Christian is a true gentleman, and there has been no trouble in that church since.

It is essential to understand that in Christ is life and humanity; not that humanity is one thing and Christianity another; the socialists would have nothing to do with Christianity, but plead for humanity. Now we can take the will out of their sails by showing that Jesus was the man of men, and that no humanity has ever been equal to that of Christ. We ourselves must live this humanity in all its breadth and depth.

It is the spirit of Christ that gives us the spirit of self-denial. There are desires that are not very low, but which call for self-denial. I have a desire to see Booth and Barrett, and I don't think it would be very wicked if I did. But if I went to see Booth and Barrett some men might go to see the "Black Crook," and for the sake of the world deny myself. (Applause.) The question is, "How can I live the life of Christ and not of the sin in the thing itself?" The life of Christ must be lived out in daily life. Doctrines are of use only when they become sentiments and guiding principles of life. We do not want a skeleton religion, but a living practical faith which we can take with us into the family and the office.

In order to successfully teach self-denial, it must be shown that the greatest power comes in denying the gratification of the lower for the sake of the higher wants. When does one sleep sweetest? Is it not after a study of Christ or of the doing of a good deed? Certainly. And in all things it will be found that the greatest true happiness comes through self-sacrifice. The congregation must preach half the sermon, and enforce it by their daily lives, or else men will not be convinced of this truth.

People to-day are as good or better than the people of preceding centuries, and although they gratify their desires for comfort, luxury and travel more than the Forefathers did, they have the means to do so. The Pilgrims did not have the temptation to go to see Booth or to take a trip to California. Their lives were of necessity very simple. But when we deny ourselves to-day, we show ourselves to be true Christians. Some of the characters in George Eliot's works are types of too many men to-day—perfectly colorless, doing little, either good or bad; practicing no self-denial, but living an easy, quiet life. But no man, though he regularly attend the church, can be a Christian without self-denial. He sees the cross held up before him day after day and yet is not affected by it. Truly the state of such seems more hopeless than that of those in the darkness of heathenism, who have never heard of the cross.

It was not the possession of the bones of Joseph that assured the Israelites of the presence and assistance of God, it was the fact that they were descendants of the Pilgrims that will give us the blessing of God, but the exercise and manifestation of the same spirit of self-denial which actuated them. The Christian spirit will enable us to do our work, and be true descendants of the Pilgrim Fathers.

Dr. Thomas's remarks were followed by the reading of Mrs. Hemans's well-known tribute to the Pilgrims, beginning

"The waves dashed high on a stern and rock-bound coast."

HON. THOMAS WESTON

was requested by President Hyde to address the meeting, as he had a short time before prepared a paper on the subject, and which he had read before the Monday Club. After thanking the President for the honor done him, and expressing his reluctance to follow such a speaker as had already addressed them, Mr. Weston gave an interesting address on the Pilgrims. "We are Pilgrims," he said, "either the blood of the Pilgrims courses through our veins or we hold the faith for which they suffered so much. It seemed as if more and more it said every year, as the Christmas season comes round, of the Forefathers. No student of history can fail to note the wonderful effect that little band had upon our national life. It was in the cabin of the Mayflower that that remarkable compact was signed, not by sovereigns or ministers, but by men, which laid the foundation of our liberties. The Pilgrims established registration, vote by ballot, and election to office. To them we are indebted for all we hold dear—our schools, our churches and our town meetings.

Let us consider some aspects of their character. The Puritans and the Pilgrims were nearly as different as the north is from the south. The church has suffered much because of the slanders put upon the men of Plymouth by those who are opposed to their system. It is needless to point out the differences, but there are some traits of character in the Pilgrims which demand special attention. First of all, they were honorable men, fair in all their dealings. While in Holland not one of their band was called to court for a crime or a debt. In Plymouth colony not one foot of land was taken from the Indians without just payment. Even when they found buried in the sand several kettles of corn which they used to sustain the life that was ebbing out of their being, they made restitution as soon as the rightful owners were known. The treaty with Massachusetts was so strictly adhered to that even the persuasive eloquence of that very able Sovereign, King Phillip, could shake the allegiance of but a dozen Indians in the Plymouth colony.

When very poor they exhibited qualities which we should be proud of, and carry into our lives. One of these qualities was self-denial. Think of that terrible winter during which over one half of the one hundred colonists died, and of the following spring which found only six able bodied men. The ruling elder in going from house to house, found one in which the head of the family was about to ask the blessing of God on the miserable meal of stewed clams before him—all that the inhospitable land would yield to satisfy the cravings of hunger. And this was the blessing: "Oh Lord, when in the old country we had plenty of meat and corn and wine, we thanked Thee. To-day we thank Thee just as much for these clams." And they suffered thus for conscience's sake.

What greater examples of self-denial can be found than in Wm. Brewster; Brewster the accomplished scholar and diplomat? No better opportunity existed in that time of great opportunities for ambitious men than that which presented itself to Brewster, the assistant to the Queen's secretary. But he sacrificed all to go with the Pilgrims, and used his talents, his wealth and his efforts to found a religious home. Miles Standish also was in a position to achieve greatness, having won distinction in England, and having been highly spoken of at court. But he laid all on the altar of self-sacrifice for the sake of his convictions.

Where is there any scene more touching than that at the close of that terrible winter, when the Mayflower was weighing anchor for her return to Europe, and not one even expressed a desire to go back. They were here to establish a government and a church. We are professing Christians. Look over this country to-day and see how vice and irreligion are sweeping over it, how efforts are being made to undermine our free schools. Is there nothing for us to do? Can we learn no lessons from the Pilgrims? Two hundred and sixty-three years ago yesterday the little band from that ship landed on Clark's Island. There were sick on the ship and in the shallop. The clothes of the latter's crew were frozen stiff; there was no shelter for them; they had found no place to settle, yet they resisted these temptations to continue their labors, and the great rock on the island we find the inscription "Here we rested." What a lesson to those who have loose ideas of the observance of the Sabbath; what a lesson of fortitude for you and for me. As has been said, look over this country, read Dr. Strong's wonderful book "Our Country," and point out where more could be done. To-day there is more power and wealth in our churches than ever, but if this and other countries are to be saved, self-denial must be practised by us. Believing with the Pilgrims that God is a prayer hearing and prayer answering God, is there no lesson in their lives for us?

REV. MR. PATRICK

said he believed that the self-sacrifice of the Pilgrims was so remarkable because they did it for the sake of Christ. In several parables Christ exposes the insincerity of those who would follow him without self-denial. We to-day need the spirit of sacrifice that actuated the Pilgrims. Happiness is obtained only by doing good to others.

Mr. Hazen and others made remarks to the same effect, all emphasizing the revival of the spirit of the Forefathers as the great thing needed in the churches of to-day.

**The Newton Steam Carpet Cleaning**  
Company wishes to inform the public that they have bought the patent rights of Newton and Watertown, to use the Star Carpet Cleaning Machine. This machine is the only one in the vicinity outside of Boston. It was patented in August, 1882, by Thos. Ferry of Delaware. It is not a beater, but has the latest process for cleaning carpets. Carpets are not beaten, switched and pulled, nor swept, but are cleaned and renovated in a revolving way, in a draft of air, not a steam spurge needed to complete the work. In fact this machine is a combination of all in one. It cleanses, renovates and brightens the carpets at once. Sole manufacturer of the Rochester Bug Exterminator. Prices and workmanship defy competition. Visitors welcome. Simon A. White, Prop., P. O. Box 71, Newtonville. Factory and Residence, Clinton street.

"I see the driven well patent has been declared invalid," remarked the horse editor. "That's the first time I ever heard that a patent had been issued for good driving," replied the sane editor. "What jockey held it?"—[Pittsburg Chronicle Telegram.]

## At Eliot Church.

Because of the inclement weather, but a small congregation listened to Rev. Wolcott Calkins' sermon last Sunday morning, which was full of practical lessons. In elaborating the thought contained in the 139 Psalm, 14th verse, the speaker said, "The scriptures everywhere teach that man is composed of body, soul and spirit, the latter being the highest element, and the one in which the conscience and superior moral affections reside. Man's likeness to God is spiritual, not physical. It is essentially a Christian idea that the body is part of the man, not a possession of the true man. The soul is the connecting link between the spirit and the body. In the language of Paul, this is a natural or soul body, the future is to be a spiritual body; not necessarily ethereal, but adapted to the uses of the spirit.

"This body is a part of the man, and our physical existence shuts us off from our fellow-men—makes us a distinct personality. Through the nerve system intelligence is conveyed to and from the outer world. The spirit of the divine part of man dwells within the body, therefore the body becomes a habitation of God, and should be guarded as such. Pain, that ever alert sentinel established by God to warn us of danger, is a blessing. The great marvel of creation is an individuality guarded by pain. God does not allow man to destroy himself without a struggle; all the instincts of nature revolt against self destruction. Many a suicide is deterred from successfully carrying out his intention by the intense pain the operation necessitates.

"The body should be held in true esteem. Christ did not teach a physical redemption, but a spiritual salvation. The command of the apostle to present our bodies pure and undefiled should be heeded. It is difficult to understand how any one can despise the body and accept the doctrines of the new testament. There can be no complete sanctification of the spirit without the body and soul are pure and strong.

"The hope of Christ invigorates the body, but the place of the minister in the sick room is generally behind the physician, though sometimes it is the soul that needs healing before the body can revive. The body is as sacred as the soul. What is meant by our hospitals and asylums but that the followers of Him who began his ministry by doing good, are to do more and more good, and even do more good than Christ himself? Faith and science are yet to surpass the nineteenth century as the nineteenth surpassed the miracles of the first. We should aid men to investigate and remove the causes of disease. It may be asked why Christ, if he is the Saviour of the body, did not abolish death? We must remember the similes used by Paul, the body is like a golden bowl suspended by a silver cord, and containing the precious oil; the cord loosening lets the lamp fall, the earthenware is shattered and the oil escapes. The body has returned to the earth and the spirit to the God who gave it. The soul is with the perishing body. 'I believe in the Resurrection' is the answer of the Christian church and will be of true science to this question of the nature of man. We are yet to live beyond the grave; not with a soul-body, but with a spiritual body, subservient and fitted to obey God when the end is reached we realize that this body is as a tent, and that there is beyond a temple not made with hands. We should beware of a show of righteousness by neglecting the body. How many of us pray for our physicians, who are so skillful, patient and hopeful? How many realize that the body is too sacred to be neglected as a tent, and that there is beyond a temple not made with hands. We should beware of a show of righteousness by neglecting the body. How many of us pray for our physicians, who are so skillful, patient and hopeful? How many realize that the body is too sacred to be neglected as a tent, and that there is beyond a temple not made with hands. We should beware of a show of righteousness by neglecting the body.

## City Government.

The board of mayor and aldermen held its regular session Monday, Dec. 19th, His Honor the mayor presiding. The records of the last few meetings were read and approved.

Sundry bills were approved. Notice of intention to build a dwelling house corner of Rustic and California streets, Ward 1, was received from Henry F. Wellington.

Alderman Harwood reported from the committee on printing, that they had given the contract for printing the city documents for 1887, to the Rand, Avery Co., they being the lowest bidder.

An order was adopted authorizing the city treasurer to borrow \$25,000 for current expenses to be repaid from taxes of 1887.

Wm. B. Jewett was granted a permit to build a small store house 8x10 on Richardson street, Ward 1.

The acceptances of the members elect of the school committee were announced by the mayor.

Mayor Kimball called Alderman Ward to the chair, and a hearing was announced on the laying out of the extension of Prospect street, Ward 3. Sanford H. Dudley, Esq., appeared as counsel for Mr. John Barnard, and objected to the laying out of said street, as his client's interests would not be benefited thereby. The Cheesecake brook runs diagonally across his land, and the taking of his property for said street would not do him any good. He did not wish to assent to the laying out of the street unless he received some compensation for the same.

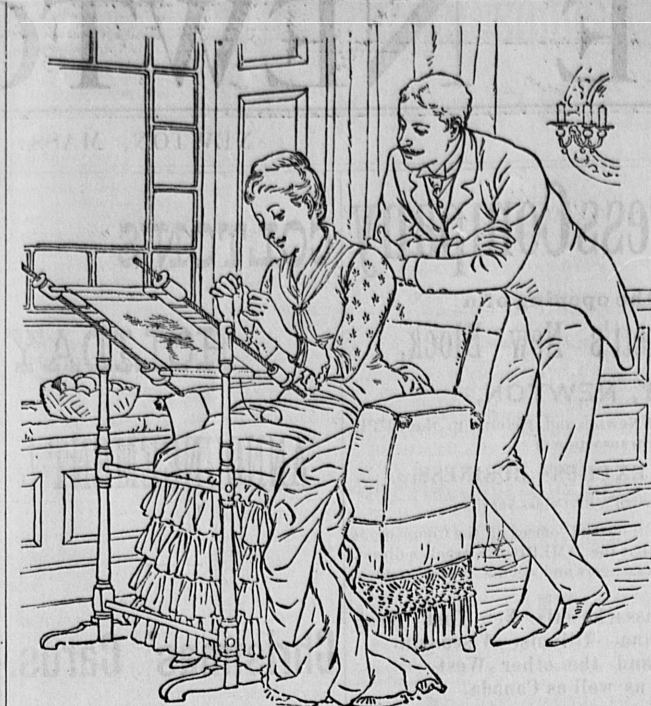
Alderman Nickerson replied, stating that he failed to be convinced but that the opening of the street would be as much to the advantage of Mr. Barnard as the other abutments. He predicted that the value Mr. Barnard's land would be doubled. No one else wishing to be heard the hearing was closed.

Hearings were given on the laying out of Park Place, Ward 2, and Station avenue, Ward 5, but no one appearing the hearings were closed.

Orders were adopted laying out, grading and accepting Park Place, Station avenue, and the extension of Prospect street. During the passage of the last order, on motion of Alderman Nickerson, permission was given Mr. S. H. Dudley to address the board.

He stated that both Mr. Barnard and himself had been laboring under an error in regard to the consequences of the laying out of the street, and having consulted with the city engineer he withdrew all objections he might have made to the laying out of the street.

There being no further business the board adjourned at 8:25 p. m. to the 26th inst.



"While thus engaged on work so fine,  
Where skill and patience must combine,  
How oft the thought must pain the heart,  
That after all your care and art,  
The handsome work that charms the eye  
Ere long must soiled and ruined lie."

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As no such thought your rest can break;  
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No ruin follows in their train;  
However deep or dark they show,  
The IVORY SOAP can make them go,  
And all the brilliancy restore  
And perfect beauty as before."

## A WORD OF WARNING.

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TO THE HONORABLE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES in General Court assembled:

Respectfully represented the undersigned, residents, voters and property owners of the town of Watertown, in the county of Middlesex, that the common convenience of the inhabitants of said town require a division thereof, and they pray that the territory of said town may be divided substantially in accordance with the following line of division, to wit: Following the course of Charles River in said Watertown from its intersection with the boundary line of the city of Newton on the east to the intersection with the boundary line of said Newton on the west, and that part of said town lying south of said line may be set off and annexed to the city of Newton, making said adjustment of town property and indebtedness as shall be reasonable and just. (Signed) JOHN W. TUTTLE and others.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Secretary's Department, Boston, Dec. 6, 1887. I direct the publication of the above petition in The Newton Graphic.

Attest: JESSE B. PIERCE, Secretary.

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## FROM NEWTON TO CALIFORNIA.

CHICAGO LAWN, PASADENA,  
Dec. 5 to 6, 1887.

To the Editor of The Graphic:

If anyone of your readers found the outlook from my window of a week ago, upon nature in her best conditions of beauty and bounty, an agreeable change from the dead and dull, cold and cheerless view presented by a New England landscape, perhaps such reader may find it pleasant to accompany me in a desultory walk about the beautiful town of Pasadena. If the question arises, "Where is Pasadena?" the reply is, "Just about 9 miles due east from Los Angeles—about 25 miles east from the Pacific, the shimmer of the sun-shine upon which, through the clear California air, may often be seen from elevated places throughout the town, as indeed from the roof of our own houses.

As we leave the front door, we come in view, to the left, constituting the northern boundary of Pasadena, and stretching far away to the east and west, of a long chain of mountains, chiefly the Sierra Madre. The associated foot-hills are scarcely two miles distant. California mountains generally, and these in particular, present a strange appearance to one who comes from the East, and the first thought is sure to be, "How different from the familiar mountains of New Hampshire and Vermont." The White Mountains, e. g., have each its own individuality, those most closely packed, so to say, have their respective dome or peak, their separate contour; but the Sierra Madre, although varying in elevation from 5,000 to 7,000 feet, seem rather to constitute one long mountain chain or wall. Still, as they have a character of their own, so they have their own peculiar beauty, which seems to grow upon the beholder day by day. The highest summits, as that of Wilson's Peak, is much of the time crowned with snow at this season of the year; and great is the contrast between the sight of snow and that of semi-tropic verdure spread out all around us.

"Wait till you get to California, and see the pepper-tree!" How often this was said to us during the last 1,000 miles of our journey. Let us take our walk down Marengo avenue and see the pepper-trees. On every hand we pass by bushes of roses of every variety in full bloom, small hedges of calla-lily, bushes which sometimes are almost trees, of the heliotrope covered with blossoms; and speaking of hedges, I cannot go farther without a word about the Monterey Cypress. What we may imagine the best hedges of the arbor-vitae at home (before they get winter-killed, which is sure to be their destiny first or last) might be to a traveller from the Arctic Circle, such is the Cyprus to the visitor from the East. Its shade of green is not unlike that of the arbor-vitae, but its leaf is much finer and more closely set. Planted in slits at right intervals and properly cut back, growth here being continuous throughout the year, we have in about four years an impenetrable evergreen fence, at least a yard in height and a yard in breadth. The Cyprus may also be fashioned into the most fantastic shapes; and you may see pitchers and urns of this evergreen as perfect as if carved from marble.

But I was to speak of the pepper-tree, and such is a constant experience in this country, you can hardly look at an object immediately obtrudes to divert attention. In five to seven years the pepper-tree has attained a size equal to that of the largest weeping willows, as found in the North. By moonlight one might think the long vista upon Marengo avenue and many of the other streets was made by rows of fully developed weeping-willows; but seen nearer and by daylight, we find that the willow suffers greatly by the comparison. Its separate leaves are much more beautiful, its shade of green more beautiful, it is always green throughout the year, and much of the time filled both with clusters of white blossoms and of red berries; altogether, the most attractive shade-tree I ever saw.

Here also the banana grows, but chiefly only as an object of ornamentation. The largest in town is upon the estate of a Mr. Webster, still upon Marengo avenue; a man, who, as common report has it, came to Pasadena six years ago with but 50 cents in his pocket. In fact, probably his fortune then was what that small figure than it is now far from half a million. Fortunes grow as rapidly here as the eucalyptus and cypress and pepper; and like these keep growing throughout the year. Even the minister may get rich by simply attending to his pulpit and parish duties, his land growing meanwhile in value with rapidity and with dimensions like those of the mustard-tree of scripture, or of southern California.

I made a special visit to the banana yesterday that I might not exaggerate in my description. The separate leaves, of which there may be 15 to 20, up to the issue of the first leaves, are as large as a man's body; at least the largest are, and the height of the entire bush must be as much as 40 feet.

But I must hasten to a close, although I say nothing of the olive-orchards, the lime hedges, the beautiful rows of English walnut, the eastern oil beans, perennial are sometimes as large as a full grown apple tree. If your readers are not already wearied I may find material for a final letter from this place in which allusion will be made to the wonderful in-rush of people from all parts of the Union, to the "real-estate boom," to the almost unparalleled advance of property, a growth of more than tropic rapidity and strength, and a few other kindred subjects.

How stand your thermometer, Mr. Editor, at 3 o'clock this p. m. of the 6th day of December? Ours, north side of the house, reads 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

MEDICUS.

## A Business Calendar.

"The Calendar issued by the S. R. Niles Advertising Agency is always the same style, and of exceptional value to business men, being so arranged as to show at a glance the number of days between any two dates in the year—a great assistance in computing interest, and a convenience in many other ways. For Banks, Insurance Companies, Newspaper offices, and business men generally it is the best Calendar issued."

## WEST NEWTON.

MR. J. T. ALLEN'S SKETCH OF A MODEL  
SUBURBAN TOWN.

The following sketch of the attractions of West Newton appeared in the Boston Record's series of model suburban towns:

WEST NEWTON, Nov. 9.

Boston is justly celebrated for the character and beauty of her suburban towns; with any of these Newton challenges comparison. The "Garden City of Massachusetts," with a population of 21,000, and an area of 20 square miles, lies contiguous to Boston and the Charles River.

With an area of about 20 square miles, she counts nine villages, connected by smooth and generally macadamized roads. Like a fancy hotel, she is supplied with all the modern conveniences: water, unrivalled in its purity, gas and electricity for street and house, a thoroughly appointed and efficient fire department, two main lines of railway, and, in common with Paris alone, of all the cities of the world, a circuitous railway—which roads, as elevators, connect the different parts or villages. Two horse railways penetrate her borders, and an electric railway is chartered for 1888. The different villages have their peculiar characteristics. No one is superior to another in all respects.

## A BIT OF TOPOGRAPHY.

West Newton is one of the oldest of these villages. It lies both in the valley of the Charles and on the northern slopes of a charming range of low hills. No one who has stood on these hills in spring time and watched the morning mists from the Charles creep up the slopes of distant Prospect Hill in Waltham, or lie in silvery masses over the parent stream below, whose hidden meanderings they thus betray—no one who at noon of summer has rested the weary sight with the thick masses of foliage that, in their luxuriance, partially hide the distant hamlets or nearer dwellings on every side—or again, in autumn time has caught the reflection of the setting sun in the gorgeous array of colors of these same masses of foliage—no such privileged person, I say, need sigh for Naples before he dies.

## STEAM AND STREET CARS.

Along the valley at the base of these hills runs the Boston & Albany Railway. A four track road, which, in conjunction with the circuit road connects it with Boston, nine miles away, and with the other villages. The electric railway will run along Washington street, the principal thoroughfare, its entire length in this village, connecting with three other villages, as also with Waltham, Cambridge and Boston, while an independent horse railway connects with Waltham, two miles to the north.

## VERY HEALTHY.

The healthfulness and beauty of West Newton early attracted an intelligent population. Horace Mann, Lydia Maria Child and Nathaniel Hawthorne were among the early comers in maiden railway times. Here was established the first normal school, on property owned by the State, in Massachusetts—the first in America, and the first, for young women, in the world. Here flourished 60 years ago the Davis Academy, whose veteran teacher Mr. Seth Davis has just celebrated his centennial. Almost without a break, and in the normal building, located by the State and reverting to Horace Mann by the conditions of the donor—Hon. Josiah Quincy—the English and classical school of the Messrs. Allen continued the work of higher education, fitting its pupils then, as now, for college, for scientific schools, for teaching or the active business of life.

A village thus situated and developing under such conditions, from a population in 1847 of 516, to that of 3100 in 1887, occupying 546 houses, will have marked characteristics. Education is universal. Certainly no native born person can be found who cannot read and write. Intelligent people are everywhere, and of high order the homes generally are the centres of a refined and cultivated family life.

## CHURCH AND STATE.

There are four large and commodious buildings for the public common schools. Each has four, and some five rooms. The reputation of these schools for thoroughness and efficiency is second to none in the state.

The morals of the community, seemingly, reach high-water mark. No drinking saloon is tolerated, and crime and intemperance are almost unknown. Churches of four denominations are here found—Unitarian, Orthodox, Baptist and Catholic, while just outside the ward, within easy and delightful walking distance, on concrete sidewalks, are Methodist, Universalist, Episcopalian and Swedenborgian. All are well supported and the centres of much charitable work.

The early abolitionists stamped their character on this village. Here was an active station on the "Underground Railroad," and here was recruited largely that bodyguard that surrounded Wendell Phillips in 1861.

To this village naturally gravitated the "contrabands" from the South—their numbers, offering an flourishing community of their people now exists here, enjoying equal privileges with their whiter fellow-citizens, and stamping out purely American prejudice against the race, by their exemplary conduct and inter-association.

Nor was this village passed over by the Irish immigrant. A large active settlement was made on the Waltham border. These two people are the bone and sinew of the community, so far as her physical labor is concerned; while one generation at least has been educated under our free institutions and in our free common schools into American citizens with new hopes, new aims and new aspirations.

## THE LYCEUM.

A marked feature of this village of West Newton is the Lyceum. This institution, offering among other peculiar features a free platform to all, has entered into its thirtieth year. It may perhaps modestly claim rank with the church and the common school in the beneficent work it has accomplished in disseminating truth, in giving courage to the meek and discretion to the proud; in softening, modifying or breaking down those artificial society distinctions that too often maim, if they do not strangle, genius and talent in the poor or less favored.

## THE PRICE OF LAND.

Not a tenth part of the available building land in this delightful village is occupied. It is rapidly enhancing in value, but can be had at from 5 to 75 cents per foot, according to location, all within ten minutes' walk of a railway station. Some of the most desirable sections are now being opened up, and new streets are being made.

There are thirty direct trains to Bos-

ton, on all of which the fare is 93-cents by package ticket; and almost as many indirect trains, via Brookline at higher rates. The running time direct to Boston is from 20 to 30 minutes.

Rents vary from \$5 to \$25 per month. Some large houses are rented as high as \$45, but houses of this kind are usually owned by the occupants. Taxes are higher this year than ever before, viz., \$15,000, but its valuation cannot be considered high; and there is reason to anticipate a lessening of this abnormal rate another year. The citizens of this village have this solace: They can just step into the city hall and pay both taxes and water rates; for West Newton is the business centre, and all city business is done here.

## THE PRICE OF LIVING.

The groceries and dry goods stores, the markets and bakeries, are good and fairly reasonable, for the markets and stores of Boston, and the well-known "rocky prices," while butchers' and bakers' wagons, from the surrounding towns, aid in disseminating the news as to falling prices.

The close proximity of farming towns brings milk, eggs, fruit and vegetables to the very doors of the village at prices that are reasonable. The healthfulness of this village is phenomenal. Our oldest citizen was 100 years old two months since, a second is nearly 95, several are over 90, and a goodly number over 80.

## SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS FOR MUGWUMPS.

With this bill of health, with facilities for walking, driving, riding, boating, swimming, and bathing at the very door, with the only establishment in fact where ladies as well as gentlemen can receive systematic instruction in swimming in summer time anywhere in this part of the State—with experienced and skillful physicians of both schools of practice; with the social, intellectual, moral and spiritual life, such as is here indicated; with charitable organizations incorporated and otherwise—Odd Fellows, Legion of Honor, Good Fellows, West Hall, Golden Cross, Sons of St. George and Foresters, with a village improvement society, a civil service association and a woman's educational club, with an Athenaeum holding an independent and free library of 4,000 volumes, and a reading room in connection, well supplied with papers, magazines, and all else in a flourishing condition, who can hesitate, when looking for a country home near the great city, to visit West Newton and examine for himself? And if this he does, it is comparatively certain that he will bring his wife and children, if not his uncles and his aunts, and with the charms of his fellow-citizen in planting the beauties of his suburban home.

JAMES T. ALLEN.

## Ramblings.

A short time ago a fine large clock was discovered in the Free Library of which, however, nobody connected with the building could give any account. Several friends of the library were questioned, but each denied being the generous donor. At last it was decided that to Mr. Henry F. Ross was probably due the credit of making this welcome gift. Mr. Ross has a most delightful custom of adorning houses that he builds for young couples with handsome clocks, and it is supposed that he has done the same for the library. However that may be, the clock has been placed in Chaffin Hall, where its handsome face and ever moving hands (for it is a "self-winding" affair), are ornamental and useful.

I dropped into a friend's house the other night, and found the family discussing the recent burglaries. The conversation turned to queer places of concealment of valuables. Among the stories told was one of old man Harris, who was supported by the town in a little cottage on Crafts street, years before Newton was a city. My friend declared that she used to hide her mince pies between the mattresses of her bed. "Nonsense," some one interrupted, "it was potatoes not mince pies." Well, he retorted, "I'd rather sleep on mince pies than on potatoes!"

The Boston & Albany has made an improvement in the tunnel, which all but the children will appreciate. The youngsters have been deprived of the miniature pond in which they used to wade after every storm, but across which pedestrians made hazardous trips on floating planks. A broad firm plank walk has changed all this, we hope, and in future the tunnel will be passable at all seasons.

Why would it not be a good plan to have the reference department of the library open until nine o'clock or later? Books can be returned or taken from the library before eight o'clock, but there is not time between that hour and supper to allow of any extended consultation of the reference books. This department, so splendidly equipped through private and public generosity, is practically closed to business and professional men whose duties require their attention during the day. It would not be necessary to have more than one attendant, whose duties would be merely nominal, to see that improper use was not made of the books or injudiciously to remove them from the library. A change such as is proposed would be welcomed by many who are deprived of the benefit of this part of the library because of the early hour of closing. A very small portion of the people are at liberty during the day, and the reference department is doing a very small part of the good it is capable of were the conditions more favorable.

RAMOUMTHA.

## An Experienced Advertising Agent.

The Paris letter about advertising, to Mr. S. R. Niles of Boston, from the largest retail establishment in the world, is a handsome testimonial to an old and experienced agent whose work has been skillfully performed. It emphasizes in a striking manner wherein Mr. Niles' experience and ability are of great value to advertisers and we are very glad to have the opportunity to endorse their opinion of him. The letter says:

"We beg to express to you our entire satisfaction with the care and zeal you have shown in the execution of our last advertising order, and take this opportunity to cordially recognize the exactness, promptness and circumspection which you have devoted for several years past to all the publicity entrusted to you, as well as the judicious choice of journals selected for our benefit."

Three different waiters at a large hotel asked a professor at dinner, in quick succession, if he would have soup. A little annoyed, he said, sarcastically, to the last, "Is it compulsory?" "No, sir," answered the man, "I think it is mock turtle."—(Tid-Bits, London.

## NEWTON FREE LIBRARY.

## List of New Books.

- Hale Edward Everett. The Life of George Washington Studied Anew. 94,423
- Dr. Hale has written this interesting volume upon the theory that the true life of the man, Washington, has been so much involved in the exciting history of the times in which he lived, and of which he formed so important a part, that his personal characteristics have not been clearly set forth. Dr. Hale seeks in this biography to make the man himself conspicuous, as disclosed in his letters, diaries and the records of contemporaries. Jackson, La. Catherine Charlotte. The Last of the Valois (2 vols.). 73,177
- This is a very attractively written history of one of the most notable periods in French records, from 1559 to 1589. It opens with the accession to the throne of Francis II, covers the massacre of St. Bartholomew, and closes with the reconciliation of Henry of Navarre to the Roman Catholic church, to the great disappointment of his Huguenot subjects.
- Legends of the French Provinces. Translated by Mrs. M. Carey. 62,666
- The stories, themselves, presented in this volume, and appreciatively introduced by Prof. Jameson of Johns Hopkins University, have a quaint interest, but the volume will be especially enjoyed by all students of folk-lore.
- Mahaffy J. P. Greek Life and Thought. 55,308
- Prof. Mahaffy in this volume covers the period from the age of Alexander to the Roman conquest. It is the natural sequel of his work upon Social Life in Greece from Homer to Menander. The work considers Greek literature, wherever, in adjoining countries, Greek writers established themselves, as well as in the home provinces.
- Maspero G. D. C. L. Egyptian Archaeology. Translated from the French by Amelia B. Edwards. 104,242
- The French professor has given a picturesque and well-arranged description of the revelations which the spade is making in Egypt, as disclosing the ancient arts, industries, the domestic life and religious rites of that country. The volume is abundantly illustrated, and is admirably translated and edited by one of our most skilled Egyptologists of our day.
- Mitchell Ormsby Macknight. A Biographical Narrative by his son, F. A. Mitchell. 94,421
- Mr. Macknight lived a quarter of a century for a worthy life of the eminent astronomer and brave general. We have now an adequate one from the hand of his son, made up largely of his own diaries and letters of the General himself, and from public and military records. It is a volume that will amply repay the reader.
- Norton Charles Eliot. Reminiscences by Thomas Carlyle. 92,493
- Prof. Norton has sought to meet the exact wish of Carlyle in this edition of his reminiscences, correcting the errors and misrepresentations of Mr. Froude, and making such personal omissions as he is confident the author would have wished to omit.
- Stanley Arthur Penrhyn. Historical Memorials of Westminster Abbey. (3 vols.). Reference Department
- These beautiful volumes are the latest American edition of the sixth English edition, with the author's final revision, and with many illustrations. They present a full and delightful picture of the venerable structure and its rich historical associations.
- FICTIONS.
- Crawford F. Marion. Paul Potoff. 66,564
- Magruder Julia. A Magnificent Pebein. 61,633
- Tolson Count Lyof N. A Russian Proprietor and other stories. 66,568
- Wells Kate Gannett. Miss Curtis. 63,555
- B. K. PEIRCE, Librarian.  
Dec. 21, 1887.

## Poor Business Blocks.

A gentleman residing in one of the suburbs said this week that the system of assessing business property in some suburban towns resulted in the building as a very poor class of blocks. The assessors value it at much less than the market value and place more stress upon the actual valuation of the building than upon the land.

The owners, however, obtain in many cases very high rents, and very large returns are thus received on investments. In one instance a building, the actual value of which was not above \$500, yielded annually a rent of \$500. While this was the case of course the owner would not build a better building, for on such he would be unable to obtain any where near the return as at present. In one suburban city this method of assessment has resulted in about a poor class of business blocks as could well be imagined. If, however, the assessors should turn over a new leaf and make the assessments upon the renting value, and not upon the value of the land, the old buildings would soon come down and new buildings would be erected in their place, which would be ornaments to the place. In this respect the assessors in many of the suburban cities and towns could study the methods of assessment in Boston with great profit.—(Boston Traveller.

## P. T. Barnum Writes a Story.

The opening chapters of a splendid story for the young, by the famous showman, P. T. Barnum, appear this week in the columns of The New York Family Story Paper. The story describes the adventures of an American boy, whom Mr. Barnum calls "My Plucky Boy Tom," and whom he sent to India in search of wild, fierce, and rare animals to replace those destroyed by the disastrous fire at Bridgeport last month. The reader is thrilled by the hair-breadth escapes of this dauntless American boy, and the adventures of an American boy, whom Mr. Barnum calls "My Plucky Boy Tom," and whom he sent to India in search of wild, fierce, and rare animals to replace those destroyed by the disastrous fire at Bridgeport last month. The reader is thrilled by the hair-breadth escapes of this dauntless American boy, and the adventures of an American boy, whom Mr. Barnum calls "My Plucky Boy Tom," and whom he sent to India in search of wild, fierce, and rare animals to replace those destroyed by the disastrous fire at Bridgeport last month.

## Contract Awarded Keeler &amp; Co.

The elegant Fort George Hotel, Fort George, Florida, will be entirely refurbished this season. It is quite sufficient to say that Keeler & Co., of Boston, will have charge of the same, contracts for which having recently been made between the proprietors of the hotel and this well-known and reliable firm.

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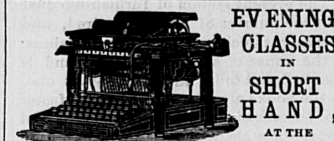
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## THE CITY PRINTING.

The awarding of the contract for the city printing to a Boston firm has justly caused some surprise, and the wisdom of such a course is certainly to be questioned. It is not good policy for the city government of Newton to set an example of going to Boston to get work done, when the same work can be done by a home concern, at about the same price and in a satisfactory manner. The GRAPHIC did not bid for the work, this year, owing to an unavoidable delay in certain contemplated improvements in our office, and so its business is not affected by the action of the committee.

The case is just here: The Newton Journal has done this work for years—it has gone to great expense for type and machinery, all of which is taxed to help pay the city expenses; it gives employment to a large force of men who live in Newton, and the Journal, like any other local paper, does a great deal for the city, for which it gets no pay whatever. In job printing there is a margin of profit, and when such work is to be given out, the local papers ought to have the preference, all other things being equal.

In the case under consideration, the Journal's bid was \$762.65, while that of the Rand Avery Co., a foreign concern, was \$700.45, two dollars and twenty cents less. The committee were not bound to give the contract to the lowest bidder, and the saving was so small as to make ridiculous any plea that the action was taken on the score of economy. If it had not been for the competition expected from the Newton printers, the Boston firm's bid would have been much higher, and if the local printers are starved out, it will prove an expensive thing for the city, as then Boston prices will have to be paid for all city printing, and the large Boston firms will not condescend to go to the trouble of putting in bids for every two dollar job, as the local printers have to do.

We hear a great deal nowadays about protecting home industries and encouraging home trade, and we are told that this is the great American principle, yet here is this very principle violated, the home industries are passed over, and patronage given to a foreign concern, which contributes in no way to the prosperity of Newton, and all for the paltry saving of two dollars and twenty cents.

Although THE GRAPHIC and the Journal are in a certain sense rivals, we believe in the principle of fair play, and that either one or the other office should be given the city printing, if they can do the work satisfactorily, and at prices not in excess of what the work could be done for elsewhere. In this case, what appears to be a great injustice has been done, and if possible it should be rectified.

In this connection, it might be said that it is the duty of Newton people to patronize the local stores and tradesmen, whenever possible. There is altogether too much of this practice of going to Boston for things which could be obtained just as cheaply of the local dealers, and the sale of which would benefit them. The Newton tradesmen are a necessity, at times, but they should be patronized at all times, and the local industries built up. The more trade they have, the greater variety they can offer, and a careful investigation will show that in a majority of cases, not only is nothing saved by going to Boston, but that the prices are higher there than here.

A newspaper has some funny experiences in this line. It has happened that some of the clubs or societies have sent to the local papers a circular or program bearing the imprint of a Boston printer, advertising some entertainment, and accompanied with a request to give the entertainment as long a free puff as the paper can afford. The puff at the lowest advertising rates would amount to more than the money paid for the circular, but the free notice is usually given and hundreds of others besides for the same organizations. Merely to spare the feelings of the publishers of the local papers, we would suggest that it would be a kindly thing to do, when giving orders for printing to Boston firms for local entertainments, to ask the Boston printer to leave off his imprint. We do not ask for the printing, nor would we hint that if the printing is given to out of town printers, the puffs should be paid for, but if the circular bore no name, those who saw it might think that it was done by the local printers, as ought to be the case. The papers would then be much better natured, and the puffs would be both longer and more hearty.

## ECONOMY AND REFORM.

Mayor Kimball is hard at work upon his annual message, and it is probable that he will tell the people what they must do if they desire an economical city government. His long experience will enable him to give some very valuable advice. The election is over, but the need of economy in the expenditure of the city's money is just as urgent as it was a month ago. The expenses of the city have increased for the past few years out of all proportion to its income, and the tax rate is as high as it can be made, without serious injury to the future prosperity of the city.

The outcry that was raised this year was merely the expression of public opinion on this matter, and unless a decided change is made, public sentiment will be so strong by another year as to make itself felt in an emphatic manner. In the school department especially, there is need of a thorough reform, and it is hoped that the new members will be so strong by another year as to make itself felt in an emphatic manner.

It has been said by those who have looked into the school system of Newton and that of other cities, that in the matter of apparatus and school appliances, our schools are inferior to those of other cities where the expenses are less than half those of Newton. This is certainly a surprising statement, and it should be inquired into. With the exception of our High School teachers, the salaries paid are not largely in excess of the salaries paid in other cities, and it is difficult to induce new teachers to come here without paying them the maximum salary at the start. Some other cities have adopted the plan of graded salaries, by which an inducement is held out for teachers to remain for a long term of years, and in this way new teachers are willing to begin on a smaller salary. Such a plan has many arguments in its favor.

The present system of furnishing just half the number of books required, and dividing the classes into two divisions, is the cause of some confusion, and is also believed to be an extravagant one, as the books are worn out much faster and becomes in a short time shabby and dirty. The old way of furnishing each child a book, and making him responsible for the care of it, cost more at first, but it is believed to have been much more economical. So far our schools seem to have been run without any regard to the expense incurred, and a thorough reform is needed. A committee might be sent to other cities, for the purpose of discovering their secret of having admirable schools at half the cost of those of Newton.

The old year is nearly ended, and it is now an excellent time to be planning a set of good resolutions for the year to come. Our city officials, both in the city government and on the school board, should remember that much is expected of them in the way of economy and reform, and they should get their good resolutions ready.

THE GRAPHIC offers its readers this week an original Christmas story, written by one of the prominent citizens of Newton, and is one of the best stories that has appeared in this paper. This, together with the history of Christmas by Dean Gray of Cambridge, the Christmas Carol, and the many announcements of Christmas services in the churches and elsewhere, makes this issue quite as much of a Christmas number as the more pretentious ones issued by some of our contemporaries. It may not be out of place to suggest that a year's subscription to the GRAPHIC would be an acceptable Christmas present.

ONE of the duties which the Christmas season brings to each of us is that of trying to make some one else happier by sharing what we have. What can you do for some one else? Is the question of the season.

If there is a poor widow in the back street, or a crippled child around the corner, or a sick man down at the back of the town, see that some good cheer reaches them. Then remember the disagreeable people whom you do not like, and aid them even though you cannot think well of them. Perhaps a gleam of gladness cast into their lives will make them more amiable ever afterwards.

It is said that Gen. Draper has refused to be a candidate for Congress from this district, because of the time and attention demanded by his large business interests at home. His friends are now talking of making him the next candidate for Governor, an office for which he seems to be well qualified. He is a man of high character, an excellent public speaker, and he has great wealth, although it is only of late years that this latter qualification has been considered a necessity in Massachusetts.

The caucuses for nominating the President and Clerk of the Common Council will be held this evening. There has been a very vigorous canvass for the first position, by the friends of both Councilmen Burr and Kennedy, and the result is still in doubt. Mr. Glover will probably be renominated as clerk, as his knowledge of the council business is such that the president would have a difficult time in getting along without him. He is so well posted on all the parliamentary rules and other details that no new man could fill his place.

MR. EDGAR FAWCETT does not like Browning, but readers of Mr. Fawcett's alleged novels will not be surprised at this.

Attention is called to the popular little tobacco cigarettes sold by G. W. Shaw. Call and try a box of the La Rosa Perfecta Cigarette.

## THE NEWTON CLUB.

## Formal Opening of its New Home.

AN IMPORTANT EVENT IN NEWTON'S HISTORY.

The long anticipated opening of the Newton club house at Newtonville, occurred on Monday evening, and the old Roberts mansion was again the scene of a brilliant social event. From 8 o'clock until late in the evening the streets in the vicinity were filled with carriages, and the throng inside received numerous accessions on the arrival of every train.

In the large front parlor the guests were received by Mrs. Henry E. Cobb, Mrs. J. L. Roberts, Hon. Robert R. Bishop, Hon. Levi C. Wade and Mr. Henry E. Cobb, and to a large portion of the guests it seemed especially appropriate to find Mrs. Roberts again receiving guests under that hospitable roof. Mrs. Wade and Mrs. Bishop were unexpectedly detained, and Mrs. Roberts kindly consented to assist in welcoming the guests of the club, and in the transformation of the place from a hospitable private residence to the home of Newton's most important social club.

All the guests were in full dress, and the scene was made a very brilliant one by the many handsome costumes worn by the ladies. The guests were from all parts of the city, and the reception was one of the most notable ones ever held in Newton, both as regards the social prominence of the guests and their number. After greeting the reception committee the guests scattered throughout the spacious mansion, and the taste shown in its remodeling and refurnishing was much admired. There were some four hundred people in the rooms at one time during the evening, but the spaciousness of the club house was shown by the fact that the guests found it still possible to move about.

The whole affair was most admirably managed, from the policeman who had charge of the carriages, to the cloak rooms with their competent attendants and the elegant supper, served by Mr. Lee of the Woodland Park hotel, and which was abundant in quantity and of the finest quality.

The residents of the various Newtons found a neutral ground on which to meet and bury all ward rivalries, and defeated candidates in the recent election were seen congratulating their successful opponents, while groups of friends in the various rooms gave evidence of their enjoyment of the occasion.

The Germania Orchestra furnished music during the evening, from their station at one end of the large parlor. Soon after 10 o'clock the guests began to take their departure and by midnight the celebration of the opening of the Newton club house was over. The gentlemen kept very early hours in order to impress upon their lady friends the fact that the club would not in the future keep them out late, and the reception proved such a pleasant social affair that the guests were heard to express the wish that it would not prove the last to be given by the Newton club. It represents the membership of Newton's most prominent and public spirited citizens, and it is destined to have an important influence upon the future of the city. The members now number 150, and it is probable that there will be a large number of applications for membership in the future. The officers are: President, Hon. R. M. Pulsifer; vice-presidents, Hon. C. Wade, the Hon. R. R. Bishop and Hon. I. T. Burr; secretary, E. W. Cate; treasurer, F. A. Dewson; executive committee, Henry E. Cobb, J. W. Carter, E. H. Mason, W. M. Bullivant, J. P. Walsh, W. M. T. Crane, W. J. Follett and J. E. Hollis.

## "BEAUTIFUL NEWTON."

The Boston Globe has followed the example of the Record, and publishes the following rather enthusiastic description of Newton:

"Beautiful Newton! What can one say of thee? As sweet Auburn was the loveliest village of the plain, so you stand a cluster of villages shining like gems in the land of hill and vale. A quarter century ago the growth of this place had hardly begun, the mode of people stood almost like the primitive wilderness wherein Eliot preached to the savages over two and one-half centuries ago. Since then the change has been wonderful. Nearly 140 miles of well graded streets have been finished through those forests; light and water has been introduced; churches, a number of them elegant dwellings, many of which cost \$20,000 or more each, have been built; the population has increased until it is now about 20,000, while the valuation of property is increasing at the rate of \$1,000,000 every year. To a stranger driving through the lovely shaded avenues of Newton it presents a constantly changing scene of rare beauty; to the dweller within its borders exceptional advantages, social, educational and spiritual, are presented. The foundation of Newton's greatness rests in its having become a popular place of abode for Boston merchants and business men. Situated 20 to 30 minutes' ride from Boston, to its nearest and most distant parts, it is convenient of access by means of numerous trains on the Boston & Albany railroad.

Yet the city has some peculiarities. While upon straight party lines the city has a Republican majority of several hundred votes, the independence of its citizens is shown in the fact that its Republican ticket has been defeated four successive years by the more popular citizens' party. This magnanimity is also shown in its steadfast adherence to President Cleveland. The annual expenses of the city are about \$600,000, and there is a sentiment expressed that affairs are being conducted upon too extravagant a scale. The tax rate is about as high as the law regulating taxation will allow, while the city is running deeper into debt each year by borrowing large sums for a long term of years to carry forward public improvements of a large character. The debt is now over \$1,000,000, including water. The cause of this is due in part to the large extent of territory the city covers and the widely separated villages, making the expense of running the place great. It is also felt that the city business has not been carried on in a business like way by the city government. The cost of highways and schools is enormous and constantly advancing. It is claimed that the highway committee has built at great expense avenues through parts of the city where they were not required or needed. The building of new houses calls constantly for the costly extension of water

mains. In fact the city is suffering from the first-class demands brought about by an exceedingly rapid growth in detached sections.

Newton Highlands has had its growth largely within the past 10 years, while the Newton Circuit road is opening up new and beautiful building sites between the Highlands and Riverside. Sewerage is needed very much in the more thickly settled parts. Like other places in the Charles river valley it will have to connect with Boston by means of a trunk sewer. The building of a network of sewers will soon involve another heavy expense and increase the burden of bonded debt.

Still the city has many priceless advantages as a place of residence. In some parts, such as Novantum and Newton Upper and Lower Falls, there are many factories where a large number of hands are steadily employed. It is generally felt that the tendency of Newton people is toward exclusiveness, and that the enterprise which would establish mills and factories here has been given the cold shoulder.

Efforts have been made to secure a large central public park for Newton, but have failed thus far, owing to the expense and a feeling that it is not required. Public spirited citizens have done much toward making the whole city a park. J. S. Farlow's generous gifts have established a small, attractive park in Newton and a fine mortuary chapel and conservatory in the Newton cemetery.

The schools of Newton are among the foremost in the State, the public library is in a main building of stone and has branches in the several villages. The Baptist church at Newton Centre is building a stone church edifice to cost \$75,000, while at Newton the Eliot Congregational Society will expend the coming season nearly \$200,000 on what it is expected will be the finest stone church in the city. Near the site of the latter stand the Baptist stone church, Channing Unitarian church of stone, and Grace Episcopal church of stone, each of which cost nearly \$100,000, and all built within a few years. The city has a number of millionaires as residents, and moves along on a high plane, having nearly every public advantage. The Catholics have a fine brick and stone church and parochial residence at Newtonville and a flourishing society at West Newton.

An electric railway has been granted a location and is expected to be running through the main streets some time. The Electric Light and Power Company is intended to furnish the motive power for this railway service. At present the electric light is being rapidly extended and is proving exceedingly popular. Public bath houses and swimming places are needed in the different ponds and streams of the city, and could easily be arranged.

## NEWTON COTTAGE HOSPITAL.

The second annual meeting of the Newton Hospital Aid Association was held Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1887, at 3 p. m., in the parlors of the Congregational church, West Newton.

(Extract from Secretary's Report.)

The directors have been responsible for the collection of membership fees, and the increased list of membership shows what has been accomplished in this direction. In 1886 there were 110 members at present, 410.

The board of directors have been aided by the hearty response of the good people of Newton, and the amount of money raised shows how interested they are in the success of this noble charity.

Amounts received from different villages for annual fees:—

Newton	\$308 00
Newtonville	174 00
West Newton	194 00
Novantum	116 00
Auburndale	83 00
Newton Centre	11 00
Newton Highlands	80 00
Newton Upper Falls	22 00
Chestnut Hill	13 00
	\$932 08

From different villages for current expenses (donations) as follows:—

Newton	\$37 80
Newtonville	59 76
West Newton	114 00
Novantum	27 50
Auburndale	40 05
Newton Centre	22 00
Newton Highlands	17 50
Newton Upper Falls	17 50

Balance on hand as reported at annual meeting, Oct. 1886. From fees.....\$104 36  
From furnishings.....64 36  
Total amount.....\$209 72

Paid for furnishing and other expenses.....\$176 47  
Balance on hand on deposit in National Revere Bank.....\$ 338 52

The association has sustained a severe loss in the death of one of the directors, Mrs. Charles T. Pulsifer of Newtonville, who was ever ready to assist and aid by her presence and sympathy, and always performed her duties faithfully and honestly for the welfare of the Hospital.

Mrs. E. W. Redpath was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by her death.

The board of officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows:—

PRESIDENT:	Mrs. Alvah Hovey, Newton Centre.
VICE-PRESIDENTS:	Mrs. George S. Harwood, Newton.
SECRETARY:	Mrs. John F. Heckman, Newton Highlands.
TREASURER:	Miss Charlotte L. Bullens, Newton.
DIRECTORS:	Mrs. William H. Budgett, Newton.
	Mrs. Charles H. Lord, Newton.
	Mrs. Andrew S. March, Newton.
	Mrs. Edward A. Whiston, Newtonville.
	Mrs. Cornelius F. Harkins, Newtonville.
	Mrs. Ellen P. Perrin, West Newton.
	Mrs. Vernon E. Carpenter, West Newton.
	Mrs. Thomas H. Fitz, West Newton.
	Mrs. W. G. Wells, Lower Falls.
	Mrs. John A. Gould, Upper Falls.
	Mrs. Charles W. Randall, Upper Falls.
	Mrs. Albert F. Hayward, Newton Highlands.
	Mrs. Charles S. Davis, Newton Centre.
	Mrs. Daniel B. Claflin, Newton Centre.
	Mrs. Charles A. Kingsbury, Chestnut Hill.

## Mr. Petersilea's New Departure.

Many people will be very grateful to our accomplished townsman, Mr. Petersilea, for just the opportunity they have been wanting for a long time, viz, that of being put in condition to understand music.

Most people enjoy music, but few really understand it. All realize that it is something more than a succession of sounds more or less pleasing, but what is that something more? What was the composer's object? What did he aim to express and how do such and such combinations of tones bring out his ideas?

Aided by Mr. L. C. Elson, who is to deliver some explanatory analytical lectures, Mr. Petersilea is to interpret some standard compositions in Steinert Hall, Boston, Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25 and Feb. 1. Teachers and students of music are admitted at half price.

## The Players.

The next entertainment by "The Players" will be on Feb. 22nd and 23rd, and one of Boucicault's best plays will be given, which will require nearly the whole strength of the club. Some of the best talent in the city will appear, and Miss Annie P. Call, who is conceded to be one of the best amateur actresses in this vicinity, will have a leading part. The success that has attended "The Players" from their first organization shows that the club fills an important place in Newton's social life, and the coming entertainment will be the best, as it will be the most important of their efforts so far. The rehearsals have been in progress for some time, and a very interesting performance is assured.

## Music as an Educational Factor.

The most powerful factors in humanizing this latter-day world and bringing enlightenment and good will into every family have been the better grades of pianos. There is no way to make home perennially attractive equal to that of enthroning music therein; and a good piano is the very embodiment of music. We say a good instrument, not a poor one, and by that we mean a piano of unquestioned reputation, such as the Hallet & Davis, which has received the unqualified endorsement of the greatest musical masters of both Europe and America. Franz Liszt, the greatest living exponent of the piano and its capabilities, says of this piano: "It is the most admirable instrument that has ever been manufactured." —[Chicago Times.]

## A CURIOUS INSTANCE

Of Dr. Samuel Johnson's well-known hatred of everything "across the border" is found in that celebrated definition of oatmeal in his dictionary: "Oatmeal; a meal ground from oats, used as food for men in Scotland and for horses in England;" neglecting to add that this same food were generally ascribed the rugged health and endurance of the canny Scot. Oatmeal is now, however, universally recognized as a most healthful and palatable food, and nowhere more so than in this country, where it has grown in esteem until it is found as a breakfast dish in almost every family. The difficulty of properly cooking it, that has heretofore been the chief objection to its use, is now happily overcome in the Quaker Rolled White Oats, manufactured at Ravenna, Ohio, which are quickly and easily cooked. Wholesome alike for the robust and the weak, delicious in flavor, absolutely pure and easily digested, this brand has justly taken the first place in popular favor. As one lady remarked, "If you once get Quaker Rolled Oats you will never take any other."

## DIED.

SWETT—In Newtonville, Dec. 15, John Torrey Swett, 64.

BASSETT—In West Newton, Dec. 17, Sally F., widow of James S. Bassett, 92 yrs. 7 mos. 7 days.

DOLD—In Newton Centre, Dec. 19, Arnold Dold, 43 yrs.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

FOR SALE—Nearly new Comfort Sleigh. Cheap. Has on shafts two sets of splendid toned bells. Can be seen at Geo. W. Bush's Stable, Elmwood street, Newton. 11tf

FOR SALE—Between Newton and Newton Highlands, a Carriage Lane No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681,



## NEWTONVILLE.

—Mrs. Breeden is much better, and hopes to be about again soon.

—Mrs. C. E. Roberts and family expect to spend the holidays in Hartford, Conn.

—Higgins & Nickerson are building a handsome house for Mrs. A. Parks on Clyde street.

—The Rev. Mr. Blackford of Waltham preached in the Universalist church last Sunday morning.

—Miss Fannie Leavitt has come from her school in Franconia, N. H., to spend the holidays here at home.

—Mr. Harry Allen and family are soon to remove to California; his health requires the change of climate.

—Ireland Brothers of Newton Centre are building two new houses for Mrs. Matilda Kimball, on Otis Place.

—Mr. Geo. W. Morse has changed his plans, and will visit Egypt, the Holy Land and elsewhere before returning.

—The Christmas opera will be given in the Universalist vestry next Sunday evening, beginning at 6.30. All are invited.

—Mr. Chester will soon put up two new houses on Cabot street, on the site of the old building which was moved away last week.

—The infant daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Bean Bates died last week in Portland, Maine. She has the sympathy of her many friends here.

—The Rev. R. A. White has had two unfortunate evenings for his last lectures, as regards weather. Yet the attendance was good under the circumstances.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Stover came from New York to attend the Club reception here Monday evening. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mendell.

—Miss Alice Freeman, the late president of Wellesley College, and Prof. Palmer of Harvard, are to be married at the Boston residence of Ex-Gov. Claflin, this afternoon.

—The square has assumed its holiday attire, and presents a most festive appearance, much to the delight of the little people, who are eagerly awaiting the approach of Santa Claus.

—Mr. Dearborn has shown great taste in his Christmas decorations, and his attractive window, as well as the canopy of evergreen, lend a charm to his goods which few can withstand.

—Special preparations are being made for the Christmas concert, next Sunday evening at 6.30 o'clock, at the Central Congregational church. The music, recitations and decorations will all be in keeping with Christmas.

—Mr. A. H. Soden has been re-elected director of the Boston Base Ball Association, and also unanimously chosen president. This is a well deserved compliment to Mr. Soden, as under his direction the association has become very prosperous.

—The custom of keeping open house on New Year's Day will be observed this year on Monday, Jan. 2nd, and ladies who will be at home on that day to their gentlemen friends are invited to make their announcements in next week's GRAPHIC. Notices should if possible be sent in before Thursday night.

—As usual, there will be an entertainment in the vestry of the Universalist church Christmas Eve for the children of the Parish. The Christmas tree will be preceded by the charming opera, "Gaiety Napping," given by members of the Sunday school. Entertainment begins at 7.30 sharp. Articles for the Christmas tree can be left at the vestry after 3 p.m., Saturday.

—The following is the program for Christmas day at the Universalist church:

And there were Shepherds, D. Buck Gloria, From Farmers Mass

Duet—There was Joy in Heaven, H. Smart Solo—It Came upon the Midnight Clear, Sullivan

Sermon by Rev. R. A. White.

In the evening at 6.30 there will be a Christmas concert, with music by the children and the choir.

—The funeral of the late Mr. J. Torrey Sweet took place from the residence of Dr. Bloodgood, Walnut street, Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The services were of a simple character. Rev. Pleasant Hunter, pastor of the Central Congregational church, officiating. The floral tributes included a pillow of flowers from the employees of the Newton Water Works, and an anchor from Charles Ward Post & Co. A delegation from Charles Ward Post escorted the remains to Dorchester, where they were interred at Mt. Cemetery.

—The regular meeting of the Goddard Literary Union took place Tuesday evening. The program was interesting, the literary part being in charge of Mrs. W. F. Kimball, and the musical, of Mrs. Kingsbury. Mrs. Addie Kimball of Boston, quite an accomplished elocutionist and a pupil of the late Wenzman Marshall, gave two or three selections. Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Pope also read. Mr. Geo. Endicott sang two numbers delightfully, and Mrs. Endicott played a duet and solo with Mr. Bissell. The attendance was smaller than it has been for some time.

—A little painting in the library of the Newton Club attracted considerable attention last Monday evening. It represented a man and woman apparently bidding adieu. At least the woman was shedding copious tears. People were told that it represented a club member taking leave of his wife, and that it had been purchased for that purpose. This little fable sounded very well, and many remarked upon the appropriateness of the illustration. The truth, however, is too good to be kept a secret. While some of the guests were inspecting the house, they discovered this little painting in one of the upper rooms and brought it down stairs. It was placed in the library and the explorers got a good deal of fun out of the credulous before the evening was ended.

—In the death of Mr. H. L. Keyes of Newtonville, the city loses one of its most worthy old residents. For more than thirty years he has been in and out among us, devoted to the duties of his calling, and rejoicing in the growth and prosperity of the city, which was but a small town when he removed to it. He was a man of unusual health and vigor, a stranger to sickness until three or four months before his death, when symptoms of softening of the brain began to manifest themselves. He had balanced the books of the old Boston National Bank, of which he was book-keeper, for 265 consecutive months, an unusual unbroken record. His sincerity and uprightness were of the sturdy, New England type, while the softer side of his nature was manifested in an unusually

tender affection for children or those in trouble. The last two weeks of his life his mind was clouded and his physical strength rapidly failed, but the lovable qualities of his character shone with a heavenly radiance, and with but little physical suffering he soon fell asleep. "May I die the death of the righteous and may my last end be like his."

G. C. M.

## WEST NEWTON.

—Mr. E. A. Paddock is at Leslie House, Newburgh, N. Y.

—Mr. Wm. D. Woodbridge is in Philadelphia, Penn.

—The Allen School has closed for a Christmas vacation of two weeks.

—At St. Bernard's church the choir will render Haydn's mass on Christmas day.

—Mrs. Seccomb and Miss Seccomb are spending the holidays in New York city.

—The I. O. O. F. will hold their annual election of officers next Thursday evening.

—Mr. W. L. Colby, one of Mr. Allen's teachers, has gone to South Boston for the holidays.

—Miss Carrie Kilborn, who has been Miss Mabel Stuart's guest, has returned to Portland, Me.

—Mr. Chas. H. Jennison had a slight stroke of paralysis on Wednesday, losing the use of one arm.

—This is the busiest part of the year at City Hall, the city officials being at work on their annual reports.

—Miss Rosalie Ames is spending the holidays with friends in New York, and will be absent several weeks.

—One of the horses used on the chemical engine died on Wednesday morning, by which event the city loses \$275.

—Miss Grace Wadsworth has returned from her visit to Philadelphia, and has as a guest Mr. Fred Warren of that city.

—Miss Sarah E. and Miss Maria W. Langton, who have been at Mr. E. A. Walker's for a few weeks, have gone to Lewiston, Me.

—Miss Florence Austin, who has been spending several months with Mrs. G. D. Clark, has returned to her home in Peterboro, N. H.

—The last change in the post-office department, is in regard to advertised letters. One cent is collected on every letter which is advertised.

—Rev. Dr. Calkins of Newton, will read a paper before the Women's Educational club this (Friday) afternoon, on "Practical Education for Women."

—The indications are that the High School Review reception in Armory Hall next Wednesday evening, will be the event of the season among the young people.

—There is a movement on foot to establish a lodge of God Templars in this village. From present indications it is likely to be successful.

—W. M. Duane has been unanimously elected captain of the Tech Varsity football team for next season. He is a fine half-back, and stood the brunt of the work for his team in the past season.

—The Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Union, of which City Marshal Hammond is secretary and treasurer, has gotten out some very neat cards, giving the list of members. They will be very useful for reference.

—These officers for 1888 of St. Bernard Court of Foresters have been elected: Ch. Ranger, John Hargreaves; V. R. M. Michael Tamm; sec., John Donovan; finan. sec., J. W. Gave; sent, D. Barry and M. Ryan; trustees, M. S. Cox, Duane and O'Donnell; repres., J. A. Gave; alt. rep., M. J. Duane.

—A large bouquet of pansies was picked in a garden on Elm street Tuesday, during a driving snow storm. They had been protected from the weather by banking up the bed with soil, leaves, etc., and covered with a sash, forming a simple cold frame, an experiment easily tried and very satisfactory in the result.

—Rev. L. L. Potter, who went from the Baptist church here to the First Baptist church of Hartford, has resigned his charge there, as he could no longer be called to the North Congregational church of Springfield, at a salary of \$3,500 a year.

—Mr. N. T. Allen's article in regard to the school committee is again crowded out this week, but it will be given next week without fail. The many meetings and Christmas news take up so much space that contributions that are not strictly news have to stand over. Mr. Allen's letter, however, is good enough to keep.

—Triton Council 547, Royal Arcanum, have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Regent, M. J. Duane; V. Reg. J. R. Coudria; orator, C. F. Ripley; Sec., F. C. Sheridan; Treas., J. F. Nickerson; chaplain, J. Commons; guide, M. B. Coleman; Warden, J. Darling; Sec. W. V. Condrin; trustees, P. Gammon, T. H. J. D. O'Donnell; R. pres., J. A. Gave; Att. Rep., M. J. Duane.

—The following program of special Christmas music will be given at the Baptist church next Sunday morning:

Organ Voluntary.  
Redemption Hymn, J. C. D. Parker  
White Shepherd Watch, L. S. J.  
Christmas Anthem, H. R. Shelly  
Response, Davenport

In addition there will be several Christmas hymns in which the congregation will join.

—Crescent Commandery, U. O. G. C., a benevolent and temperance organization, elected the following officers at a meeting on Monday evening: N. C. R. M. Lindsey; V. C. C. C. Patten; N. K. R. A. R. Coe; F. K. R. Mrs. E. A. Lindsey; W. P. Miss S. R. Lymonds; W. I. G. J. C. Robbins; W. O. G. G. Lewis. There will be a public installation of officers on Jan. 18. Mr. Coe enters upon his eighth year as N. K. R., rather a remarkable record.

—The sociable of the Unitarian church last Friday evening was made a very pleasant occasion by a musical program, consisting of solos by Miss Laura Coffin of Auburndale; also Miss Cook of Newtonville, who sang very charmingly two songs with encores. Mr. Severance Burge, accompanied by his mother, played two flute selections, which gave great pleasure, and Miss Hammond, daughter of Chief Marshal Hammond, gave some very entertaining recitations. The whole was concluded by a supper and dancing by the young people.

—The Christmas service at the Unitarian church will consist of carols by the Sabbath school children, and customary addresses by the pastor. The Christmas tree Saturday evening, and a distribution of gifts to the children of the Williston

Home, Auburndale, on account of sickness, is obliged to be omitted, but the presents bought by the contributions of the children will be sent to the Home and enjoyed quietly there. A sociable from 4 to 8, with games and supper for the younger members of the school, and dancing later for the older ones, will take the place of the usual Christmas tree.

—In the police court on Monday James Farrell was convicted for the third time of being intoxicated, and was sent to the reformatory. On Saturday Thomas McGuire was found guilty of assaulting Mary Nickerson, and sent to the House of Correction. On the same day Emille and Marie Weiss were fined \$75 for theft; part of the bill was on the private account of Marie, who had been too free with her neighbor's fowls. Hugh Magrady, the boy who shot Mr. Henry E. Cobb's dog, was discharged from the charge of cruelty to animals, but fined \$3 and costs for carrying a pistol.

—The following is the program for the Christmas service at the Unitarian church next Sunday morning:

1. Opening Anthem.  
2. Carol 145.  
3. Responsive Readings 203d page.  
4. Carol 149.  
5. Responsive Reading Hallelujah,  
6. Carol 148.  
7. The Vigil.  
8. Carol 75.  
9. Annunciation Solo and Chorus.  
10. Prayer.  
11. Solo, Miss Munger.  
12. Reading.  
13. Carol 143.  
14. Sermon.  
15. Hymn 314, Church Book.  
16. Benediction.

—Mrs. Sarah F. Bassett, one of the oldest and most esteemed residents, died on Saturday at the advanced age of 92 years. She was the daughter of Deacon Lemuel Freeman of Sandwich, and in 1837 she was married to James N. Bassett of Nantucket. After residing in the latter place for a number of years they removed to West Newton in 1852. Their happy married life continued until about three years ago, when Mr. Bassett passed away. Mrs. Bassett has always led a useful and busy life, and retained the use of her faculties to the last, her fatal illness being of only three weeks duration. The funeral services were held from her late residence on Webster street on Tuesday afternoon, a large number of relatives and friends being present. Rev. Joseph H. Allen, late of Cambridge University, assisted by Rev. Julian C. Jaynes, officiated. Rev. Mr. Allen paid a loving tribute to the memory and character of the deceased, and referred to her remarkably long and useful life. A trio, Mr. James T. Allen, Mrs. Nellie Washburn and Mrs. Abby E. Davis, rendered the selections, "Not Lost, but Gone Before," and "Come Unto Me." The floral tributes were very beautiful. At the grave the four grand-daughters of the deceased placed flowers within the casket before it was lowered to its final resting place. The interment was at Newton cemetery.

—There will be interesting Christmas services in the Congregational church next Sabbath, December 25th, both morning and evening. At the morning service, which commences at 10.45, the pastor will preach his annual Christmas sermon to the young, and the musical selections by the choir of the church, will be as follows:

Full Anthem—Behold, I Bring you Glad Tidings.  
Organ—Miserere—Wonderful Night, Howard  
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Trinity in God that He Would Deliver Him! Oratorio of Messiah, Handel  
Offertory—Comfort Ye My People, Oratorio of Messiah, Handel  
Postlude—And Thou Bethlehem in the Land of Judah, Oratorio of Messiah, J. E. T.  
Hymn Tunes by Choir and Congregation.

At the evening service, commencing at 6 o'clock, the new Christmas Carol service, entitled "The Manger Child," recently published by the Congregational S. S. Society's musical editor, John W. Tufts, Boston, will be given. The service is divided into three parts, viz:

1. Christmas Eve.  
2. Christmas Morn.  
3. Christmas Day.

It comprises Responsive Scripture Readings, Recitations, and Christmas Carols. The recitations will be given by nine young ladies, under the direction of Deacon G. B. Putnam. The carols will be rendered by the full Sunday school chorus and choir of the church.

Organ Movements—Opening Voluntary—Symphony founded on the theme, Peace I Leave With You, Oratorio of Messiah, Handel  
Symphony—Introducing the service above described in quiet pastoral form. Tufts  
Pastoral Symphony—Oratorio of Messiah, Handel  
Postlude—Hallelujah Chorus, Oratorio of Messiah, Handel  
Exercises by the Primary Department and "Pine Farm" Boys.

All are cordially invited to both services.

## AUBURNDALE.

—Miss Emily Hazen is at home from Smith College.

—Mr. T. R. Townsend is recovering from a severe illness.

—Lassell closed on Wednesday for the holiday vacation.

—J. D. Wright of Amherst is to spend the holidays with Mrs. Willner.

—Mrs. Ada Linsley has gone to Middletown, Conn., to spend the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Nye are in New York City, the guests of Mr. A. Darling.

—The fair on Saturday evening netted \$150 for the ladies of the church of the Messiah.

—An adult class in dancing has been formed for Wednesday evenings in Auburndale. Mrs. Chandler is the teacher.

—Among Whittier's many birthday tokens was a box of roses and maiden-hair ferns from the young ladies of Lassell, with note accompanying, signed by the committee, Misses Lily M. Packard, Grace Seiberling and Josephine Bogart.

—Arrivals this week at the Woodland Park Hotel: F. H. Wilmerding and Geo. Harding, Syracuse, N. Y.; Arthur Croft and wife, London; Mrs. Florence Loring, Boston; R. C. Holden, Montreal; Miss Codman, Boston; E. Gilbert Perry, Boston.

—An entertainment is to be given this afternoon for the school children and their friends at the Williston School house. Miss Pinnock and Miss Bacheider have arranged a pleasing program, and a delightful time is anticipated.

—Rev. Francis Tiffany gave a very interesting lecture upon "Assisi and St. Francis of Assisi" at Lassell, Tuesday evening, and it was heartily enjoyed by the audience. Rev. Mr. Tiffany is one of the most charming of public speakers, and upon any Italian subject he is an acknowledged authority.

—On Christmas Day there will be the celebrations of the Holy Communion at the church of the Messiah, the first at 9.45 a. m. and the second at 12 m. On Monday, St. Stephen's Day, Tuesday, St. John the Evangelist's Day, and Wednesday, Holy Innocent's Day, there will be

Holy Communion at 7.30 a. m. and evening prayer at 4.15 p. m. The Sunday School Festival will be at the residence of Mr. Charles R. Brown on Tuesday at 5 p. m.

—There will be a Christmas Praise service at the Methodist church on Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

1. Organ—Christmas Pastoral in G Major, Merkel

2. Carol—Good Tidings, C. R. Ford

3. Anthem—The Angel Gabriel was sent from God, H. Smart

4. Anthem—While Shepherds Watched their Flocks, W. T. Best

5. Solo—Tenor, Hail the Star, E. N. Anderson

6. Anthem—Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, E. J. Hopkins

7. Lullaby—Sleep Holy Babe, Rev. J. B. Dykes

8. Solo—Soprano, Three Holy Kings, Evans

9. Duet—Soprano and Alto, Holy Child Born in Bethlehem, J. Rheinberger

10. Solo—Bass, Christmas, H. R. Shelly

11. Anthem—All they of Saba Shall Come, Jos. Rheinberger

—At the Congregational church Rev. Calvin Cutler will preach at the 10.30 morning service, on "Mother of Jesus," and at the 7.30 evening service on "The Coming of Christ. When? How? Why?" The floral decorations will be furnished by the flower committee of the Christian Endeavor society. The following is the program of music:

MORNING SERVICE.  
Organ Offertoire de St. Cecilia No. 2, Batisse  
Anthem—Alto Solo and Chorus, Arise, Shine, E. J. Hopkins  
Soprano Solo—O! Holy Night, Dudley Buck  
Solo—Tenor, Hail the Star, E. N. Anderson  
Solo—Soprano, Three Holy Kings, Evans  
Duet—Soprano and Alto, Holy Child Born in Bethlehem, J. Rheinberger  
Solo—Bass, Christmas, H. R. Shelly  
Anthem—All they of Saba shall come, Jos. Rheinberger

—The choir of the Centenary M. E. church will render the following music on Christmas day, viz:

MORNING—10.45.  
Carol—Good Tidings, C. R. Ford  
Anthem—Behold I Bring you Good Tidings, E. V. Hall  
Response—Lo! a Star ye Sages Hoary, W. Newport

EVENING PRAISE SERVICE—7.30.  
Organ—Christmas Pastoral in G Major, Merkel

Carol—Good Tidings, C. R. Ford

Anthem—The Angel Gabriel was sent from God, H. Smart

Anthem—While Shepherds Watched their Flocks, W. T. Best

Solo—Tenor, Hail the Star, E. N. Anderson

Anthem—Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, E. J. Hopkins

Lullaby—Sleep Holy Babe, Rev. J. B. Dykes

Solo—Soprano—Three Holy Kings, C. W. Evans

Duet—Soprano and Alto—Holy Child Born in Bethlehem, J. Rheinberger

Solo—Bass—Christmas, H. R. Shelly

Anthem—All they of Saba shall come, Jos. Rheinberger

Soprano, Mr. J. B. Phipps; alto, Mrs. C. B. Kendall; tenor and baritone, C. B. Kendall; bass, H. A. Dennison; organist, Mrs. Hiram Hall.

—The stores here have put on holiday attire. John Cairns has the finest looking window.

—A number of our people attended the Odd Fellows ball in Watertown last Friday night.

—Peter Mead, the village cobbler, undertook to walk to Lowell on the railroad track, but was killed by a train.

—The last advice from Rev. W. A. Lamb, state that he is on his way to Rome, where he expects to spend Christmas.

—James Galway of this place sailed for Ireland in the Pavonia Thursday afternoon. Thomas Kane left on the same steamer.

—The Newton Coal company have established offices at the Nonantum drug store, and at Hudson's popular store, for the convenience of the people here.

—Miss Josie Hudson and Mr. Frank Getchell of this village, rendered several fine selections on the violin and piano at the anniversary of Isaac B. Putnam Post G. A. R., Watertown, Tuesday evening last.

—The Nonantum Worsted Co. are making preparations to add to their already extensive business, that of weaving. One of the best worsted weavers in England has been secured to take charge of that department.

—Rev. J. L. Evans will preach a Christmas sermon next Sunday morning. Subject: The Star of Bethlehem. The Sabbath school concert will take place in the evening, and will be conducted by the superintendent, Mr. E. F. Jenkinson, assisted by Mr. Arthur Cog. The Christmas tree will be on Monday evening.

—The Christian Register celebrates Christmas in an original way. It presents a remarkably interesting symposium on the question, "What has Jesus Christ done for Humanity?" Thirty-three responses are given from eminent laymen and clergymen, all of whom are Unitarians. Among the laity represented are George William Curtis, Hon. John D. Long, Senator Hoar, Judge H. C. Colver, Collector Sutherland, Edward Atkinson, Julia Ward Howe, Dorman B. Eaton, Edmund D. Cheney, Elizabeth Peabody, and others. The clergymen are represented by prominent leaders. Taken together, it may be said to be the best collection of Unitarian opinion yet formulated in answer to the question, "What think ye of Christ?"

—The next meeting of the Lyceum will be held in the High school building, Thursday evening, Dec. 28th, on "Free Trade vs. Protection," will probably be the subject under discussion.

—The Review party takes place in Armory Hall next Wednesday evening, and it promises to be a great success.

—Removal.  
The New England School of Short-hand and Type-writing, formerly of 33 Pemberton Square, S. E. Greenwood, proprietor, has removed to more commodious apartments, No. 61 Court street, Boston, Mass., where all who are interested in the study of Short-hand and Type-writing, or in the purchase of Short-hand and Type-writing Literature, Stationery, Type-writing Machines and appliances, or who desire copying executed quickly, neatly and cheaply, either in the type, or in the pen, can be accommodated; and will at any time be shown with pleasure the large variety of literature, novelties and other materials pertaining to the art of Short-hand and Type-writing.

—Fine Butter  
may be obtained at the new store of McIntosh & Maynard, Washington street, Newtonville. See adv.

## ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining in the Newton Post Office, Dec. 22, 1887:

WOMEN—Mrs. Chas. Adams, Mrs. G. Burne, 2, Miss Batchelder, Miss Kate Campbell, Miss Edna Carpenter, Mrs. Francis B. Curtis, Mrs. Eben Dexter, Mrs. Margaret Foley, Mrs. Mary Gallagher, Miss Mary Hickey, Mrs. Mary Manning, Miss Maggie Moss, Miss Maggie O'Neill, Miss Hannah O'Connor, Miss Phoebe Richardson, Miss Anna Roche, Miss Mary Freas, Mrs. Ann M. Warren, Miss Alice Webber.

MEN—A. R. Brigham, Chas. A. Burgess, W. H. Craig, A. H. Crowell, Everett Colby, Wm. H. Goodman, M. J. Hart, Edward Howard, Norburn Housley, Joseph Hogan, Wm. H. Jones, Harry Johnson, John Kelly, Chas. Kilby, Patrick Mahoney, Edward Latache, Chas. Lewis, Patrick F. Mahoney, Eugene W. Mahery, Benj. Marden, Arthur Morgan, Thos. Mulligan, N. C. Poor, A. W. Thompkins, Harry E. Turner, H. W. Wildes.

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## THE HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS.

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This glad festival, which not only brings such happiness to hearts and homes, but also presents the welcome sight of Christians of many names uniting in a common observance of the birth of the world's Saviour, is only a part of an entire system of holy days by which the church from early times has marked out the succeeding months by the events in Christ's career, and thus formed the Christian year, as distinct from the year that is merely secular. The first festival established was Easter. At once, upon the foundation of the church, Christians began to observe the first day of the week, instead of Saturday, as holy, in order to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. But they soon resolved also to set apart an annual day for a great commemoration of that event, and Easter was established and general within a hundred years of Christ's time, although for a while there was discussion whether it should be according to the date of the old Passover, or always on a Sunday, until the latter prevailed.

But, then, other anniversaries sprang up to recall other incidents of the story of Christ, and soon the year was laid out and the services shaped to tell all the story of that redeeming work, including Whit-Sunday, or the gift of the Holy Ghost, and the founding of the church. In this way Christmas came into being, or the anniversary of the birth in Bethlehem.

Of course, because of the precautions and humbleness of the early Christians, of the small amount of their literature, little has survived, and so there are lacking many data for their history. Yet the main points regarding the origin of this festival are as follows:

The first notice of its observance, although not the earliest reference to the idea, is about A. D. 130, when some think Telesphorus, Bishop of Rome, fixed the date. Another reference to its keeping is found about A. D. 190. But about A. D. 275 it was made the occasion of a great festival. The emperor Diocletian was then conducting a vigorous persecution, and resolved to strike a blow. He ordered that while the believers in Nicomedia were holding their usual Christmas service in the cathedral, the doors should be fastened and the edifice burned. All the worshippers perished in the flames.

As to the day, no one claims that the date of the Saviour's birth can be settled by the Bible, although many have tried to do so. The fact is that the Gospels were written at a time when people already knew about Christ and His life, and the writers did not find it necessary to put in details which were then familiar, in many other respects than this. We must never forget that the New Testament was not written to found the church, but to preserve the truth for a church that already believed in Christ and knew of Him from those who had associated with Him. But from the first there had been agreement in celebrating His birth about the time of mid-winter, or what we call the New Year, although the civil year then began in March, as it continued to do in all lands until about a century ago. In the Eastern church, the day observed for a while was the sixth of January, which was also made the anniversary of the Epiphany, or the visit of the Wise Men, which represented the heathen world coming to Jesus, and so had deep significance. But in the Western land, or Europe, Dec. 25th was the primitive date. At length about A.D. 350, Bishop Julius, of Rome, instituted a careful inquiry and decided that the soundest tradition clearly indicated that the latter date was more correct, and then all Christians accepted it ever after.

This is not a matter of certainty, we admit. Yet it is not to be assumed that so important a date as that of the birth of Jesus would be wrongly remembered for a time much shorter than the time that has now elapsed since the landing of the Pilgrims. Such things are handed down very easily.

The custom of making Christmas a time of general festivity arose in this way. In many lands it was usual, in heathen times, to celebrate the winter solstice, or the date when the days begin to grow longer, with various songs and expressions of joy. It was natural that such importance should be attached to the period when the sun begins again to mount in the heavens, and its warmth and promise to increase from day to day. When these people became Christians, it was also natural, and not improper, that they should retain these public and private festivities, associating them with the additional glad fact that Christ then arose on the world, a better son than that in the sky. In this way, such practices as the Yule Log and the Mistletoe Bough and home entertaining, passed over into Christian days, as also the giving of presents, and even, among some, more extravagant customs and less innocent ones.

The observance of Christmas continued universally until the Reformation. At this time, Protestants in France and Switzerland and Scotland, under the influence of Calvin, threw it aside, with all the other festivals, and many other things, such as liturgies, bishops, and still more that had come down from the past. In this, some sects joined that arose in England a century later. The reason given was that these things were not in the Bible. But the Protestants of Germany and England and Scandinavia replied that, although not in the Bible, yet if anything was good and valuable and allowable for Christians, it might be retained. So in these countries, the Christmas festivals, as well as other things named, have not been given up. Their surrender, we must remember, was not a part of the Reformation, but only a section of that movement, and that the smaller one. This argument in their favor is leading to the resumption of Christmas, as also of Easter and other ancient festivals by those whose ancestors felt averse to them, and it is gratifying to see how many about us are thus coming to restore what is seen to help Christianity, and what has the sanction of devout feeling, as well as what tends to unite Christians in the observance of the facts of the faith they hold in common.—[Cambridge Chronicle.]

## No Women

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## The Thackeray Letters.

The Jane Octavia Brookfield to whom the Thackeray Letters are chiefly addressed is a woman who, at sixty and over, retains some of the physical beauty and all the fascination of manner which distinguished her in her youth. "That cooing friend" is what Browning once called her, when annoyed at her share in bringing about a marriage between Thackeray's middle-aged daughter and a boy young enough to be her son. Thackeray's wife, as is well-known, became permanently insane early in their marriage life; and he, being thus debarré from any personal share of domestic happiness, found what consolation was possible in the contemplation of the felicity of the Brookfields. The husband was an Episcopalian clergyman; but he had no vocation for the ministry, his taste lying almost wholly in the direction of the stage; and Thackeray, therefore, did him and his wife a good service in inducing Lord Lansdowne to appoint him to be an inspector of state-aided schools, with a salary of from two thousand to four thousand dollars a year. Mrs. Brookfield was the original of Amelia in "Vanity Fair," Thackeray being the Major Dobbin of the ménage. Laura, the heroine of "Pendennis," was taken from another of Thackeray's platonic loves, namely, Miss Laura Smith, the youngest daughter of Horace Smith, one of the authors of the celebrated "Rejected Addresses," of whom there is more than one touching and affectionate mention in the letter. Mr. Brookfield's theatrical tastes and mimetic faculties have been transmitted in a marked degree to his son, Mr. Charles Brookfield, of the Haymarket Theatre, one of the most finished actors on the English stage. When Mrs. Brookfield found herself in "low water" in money matters, she bethought her of the desk full of Thackeray letters, and thereupon addressed a very pressing appeal to Thackeray's only surviving daughter, Mrs. Richmond Ritchie, for leave to print her curried treasures. Thackeray, as is well known, had left solemn instructions that his life was not to be written; and Anne Thackeray (Mrs. Ritchie) had interpreted this as meaning, as prescribing her from ever publishing her father's letters to herself and her sister, the late Mrs. Leslie Stephen. She was, therefore, at first minded to refuse Mrs. Brookfield's prayer; but the importunities of the "cooing friend" were too much for her in the end, and, ill and worn out with headache, she gave way. By doing so she incurred much covert odium among her father's friends, for there are many other holders of Thackeray letters besides Mrs. Brookfield, who consider themselves aggrieved by the exceptional privilege accorded her. Among the letters thus unpublished Thackeray collections, in the hands of living persons, are probably those held by Mrs. Proctor (aged eighty-six), widow of "Barry Cornwall," Carlyle's early friend; by Miss Perry (aged seventy-one), daughter of Editor Perry of the Detroit, and once American Minister to Venezuela, whose name is so often mentioned in the memoir of the first half of this century; and by the eldest surviving daughter of Horace Smith (aged eighty-one). It is not improbable that more collections will now be published, and that in the end the American and English public will possess a complete record of a singularly interesting life and character.

## Miscellaneous.

"Mamma," said a little 2-year-old boy the other day after a caller had left, "Mrs. Newcomb hasn't lived long in Chicago, has she?" "Why do you think so, Willie?" inquired the mother. "Because she hasn't learned how to say Wobblyshavnoo."—[Chicago Tribune.]

An Irishman called at the office of a fire insurance company to inquire of the agent what rate he could make him on some property he had to insure. The agent replied, "It depends on the surroundings." "Oh, thim's all right. It is surrounded on 'wan' side by a barn, all the other sides are surrounded by—well, it is all null and void, as it were." It is needless to add that the agent saw the point and gave him a good rate.—[Social Science Review.]

A gentleman once saw a boy peeling the bark from one of his choice trees with a hatchet. The gentleman tried to catch the boy, but the latter was too quick for him, so the farmer changed his tactics. "Come here, my little son," he said, in a soft, flute-like voice with countenance full of friendliness, "come here to me a minute. I want to tell you something." "Not yet," replied the recipient, "little boys like me don't need to know everything."—[Texas Siftings.]

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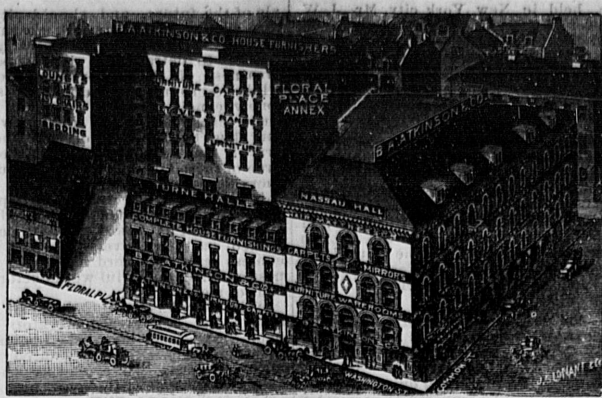
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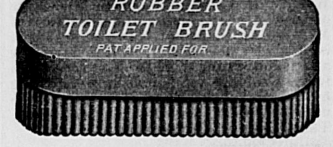


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—The grocery stores here will be closed on Monday.

—Mr. J. C. Woodman and family are visiting in Maine.

—J. R. Leeson & Co. have issued a very handsome calendar for 1888.

—Policeman Fuller is able to be on the street again from his recent illness.

—Mr. and Mrs. Daniel White have returned from their pleasant visit in New York.

—Miss Minnie Chester and Miss Hattie Forbes have returned from Vassar for their Christmas vacation.

—Mrs. Augustus Hatch of Boston has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. F. Wilkins, on Summer street.

—Rev. Howard N. Brown of Brookline, delivered a sermon in the Unitarian church last Sunday morning.

—Miss Gertrude Crane of Cornell University has returned to her home on Lake avenue to spend the holidays.

—Mrs. W. D. Marshall and family of Mooreland avenue will take up their residence in Allston in a short time.

—Allen Jameson from Mr. Moody's school at Northfield is visiting old friends at the Children's home.

—Miss Hattie Pierce's literature classes continue, and her pupils speak in high terms of her ability as a teacher.

—Mr. Chas. Paul, who is in California on a Raymond excursion, writes glowing accounts of the scenery and climate.

—Mr. and Mrs. Stanton D. Loring have arrived in England, and will spend most of their time abroad in London and Paris.

—Miss Leonora Cousins is in Paris for the holidays, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Bangs, at the Grand Hotel des Capucines.

—Ladies who intend to keep open house on Monday, Jan. 2nd, are invited to make their announcements through the GRAPHIC.

—There is to be a Sunday school concert in the Unitarian church next Sunday, Christmas evening, at 7 p. m. All are welcome.

—Hon. J. F. C. Hyde was the guest of the School-master's Club at Hotel Brunswick, last Saturday, and made an interesting address.

—The many friends of Prof. J. F. Morton will be glad to learn that he and his family have returned to Newton Centre to reside.

—Miss Gardner and her sister, of Lake avenue, Bangor, Maine, the middle of this week, they intended being gone only a few days.

—Miss White's term of office expires on Jan. 23rd. The post office here only pays \$1000 a year, so that there is not a lively contest for the position.

—Mrs. Boynton of Fall River with her children are staying with the Rev. Mr. Gates' family on Parker street. If she likes here she intends to remain.

—Mrs. Wright and daughter from Denver will spend the winter at the home of Mrs. Wright's father, Rev. Edward Cooke, D. D., of Crescent avenue.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hamlin of Crescent avenue, with the Governor and his staff to congratulate Whittier on his 80th birthday, at his winter home at Danvers.

—Rev. Dr. W. R. Clark has been chosen first vice-president of the Methodist Social Union. The annual meeting of the society was held in Boston last Saturday.

—Mrs. Lincoln, widow of the Rev. Herman Lincoln, left here with her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Langley, for Newport, R. I., on Monday. Mrs. Lincoln will live near here during the winter.

—It is pleasant to see the success Mr. H. S. Williams is having with his two stores. The branch store on Beacon street will probably be kept open until the new year.

—On Christmas Day the services in the Unitarian church will be the usual with the exception of the anthem, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come," by Elzey, sung by a quartet.

—The M. E. Church in Arlington are fortunate in having their pulpit supplied by Rev. B. K. Peirce, D. D. As is well known, Dr. Peirce is distinguished both in the pulpit and out as one of the ablest men of his church and of the times.

—We understand that the Alice Charline Mission Band of the Baptist church, has, by means of sales, etc., raised six hundred dollars. With this money and their future efforts they hope to support a teacher in a mission school.

—At the Baptist church on Sunday the music will consist of the Christmas anthem, "And there were shepherds" by H. P. Danks, a Christmas carol by Gilbert, and other selections appropriate to the day. In the evening there will be a Christmas concert, which will include singing, by a quartet of children.

—A fine Christmas display is made at Richardson's market, consisting of many kinds of tropical fruits, cocoa and other nuts, and other additions to a fine Christmas dinner. The more solid parts of the dinner, such as turkeys, chickens, game, fish, vegetables and other things to be found in a first class market are remarkable choice.

—Mrs. Maria Upham Drake closed last week a highly successful lecture course in Cambridgeport, and the ladies there are considering having the lectures repeated after the holidays. In East Boston Mrs. Drake's second series terminated Monday evening. After a few weeks' rest her new course of lectures will begin in Malden, Medford, West Medford and Everett.

—On Sunday evening at 7 o'clock there will be a Christmas Concert in the Unitarian church; there will be music and recitations by the scholars of the Sunday School, and an address by the Rev. H. G. Spaulding, Secretary of the Unitarian Sunday School Society. All are cordially invited. On Tuesday evening, Dec. 27, there will be a Christmas tree for the children of the Sunday School.

—A small German was given by Miss Gardner of Lake avenue to the "Six of Clubs" and their friends on Monday evening, Dec. 19th. We understand that the figures of the German, which were danced to remarkably good music, were novel and pretty, and at the end of the evening the company separated, carrying with them many handsome favors. This club has shown a good deal of enterprise

in giving so many enjoyable parties this season.

—At the annual meeting of the Unitarian society held on Monday evening, a new standing committee was elected, composed of D. Frank Young, H. S. Sears, Wm. F. Robinson, Louis C. Melcher, F. W. Wildes, B. Hammond all of Newton Centre, and H. N. Sheldon of Newton Highlands. Mr. Elisha Bassett, who has served as treasurer for ten years, declined re-election, and Mr. Benjamin Hammond accepted the position in his place. Mr. Sears was chosen clerk.

—At the Methodist church next Sunday forenoon the pastor will preach a Christmas sermon to the children. Music will be rendered by a double quartet choir, with the following selections: Magnificat, Te Deum by Dykes, Christmas Anthem, "Glory to God," by Gerish. The floral decorations will be arranged in keeping with the concert to be given by the Sunday school children later in the day. In the evening "The Manger Child" will be rendered by the Sunday school.

—Rev. A. E. Lawrence and Miss E. C. Lawrence were in Hampton, N. Y., last week, attending the wedding of Miss Ida Burns of that town to Mr. George O. Lawrence of Buenos Ayres, South America. It was a very brilliant affair, and the ceremony took place in St. Thomas' church, Bishop Huntington officiating. A largely attended reception was held afterwards at the residence of the bride's mother. The bride wore a beautiful costume of white satin, antique with train, the front being of rose and venetian point lace. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence will make a short stay in Boston and New York before sailing for Europe, and they will spend the winter in Dresden.

—At the First church on Sunday there will be a special Christmas service with sermon by the pastor in the morning, and at 4.30 p. m. a Sunday school concert in the church. There will be no evening service. In the morning the choir will as usual render a well-selected program of Christmas music in commemoration of the day. The singing of this quartet, which consists of Miss A. G. Smith of Boston, soprano; Mrs. Wm. H. Pratt of Newton Centre, alto; Mr. W. Cole of Auburndale, bass; Mr. Chute of Boston, tenor, under the direction of Mr. Geo. H. Brown of Newton, organist, is of a very fine order, and it is really a satisfactory pleasure to listen to them on Sabbath to Sabbath, everything being rendered with decided promptness of attack, and in excellent taste. The program is as follows:

Organ Voluntary.  
Doxology by Choir and Congregation.  
Anthem—"To Thee be Praise Forever in G." By Sir Michael. By Sir Michael Costa.

Quartet Hymn—"Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning;" in C, Dudley Buck Response after Prayer.

Two Congregational Hymns Postlude.

—Mr. C. W. Sanderson, the well-known artist, and a cousin of Mrs. Dr. Clarke of this place, has opened his annual exhibition of water-colors at his studio, 20 Beacon street, Boston. The following is from a notice in the Boston Journal of Dec. 10th:—"The work shows great appreciation of nature in woods and fields; both tenderness and strength characterize the interpretation, and it is evident that the artist is sincere and earnest. Occasionally, his seriousness goes to an extreme in too careful finish, but the arrangement and color are agreeable, and even the elaboration is so much like the English school of art that it should be judged according to its own purposes, as the products of that school are criticised. Both autumn and spring scenes are well represented. In autumn on the Mystic River and an April day near Quincy, so truthful that one can almost feel the chill in the air, are excellent reproductions. The artist's handling of the difficult subject of full summer foliage is noticed in a representation of a mossy brook in the Adirondacks, the subject of the work being, "On Chapel Brook." Sunlight pours through thick green foliage, and the brook looks cool and dark between mossy rocks. An early morning view of Moosalamoo, a mountain in Vermont, is strong for the effect produced by clouds sweeping across the mountain. A little picture of "Otta Creek" is a study in the gray greens which French artists like so well. A warm day in autumn has the warmth and haziness of Indian summer. Mr. Sanderson has been an untiring student, both here and abroad. One of his pictures, "A Wood Interior," was purchased by some Boston friends of Whittier and presented to the poet on his seventy-fifth birthday.

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## NEWTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Editor of THE GRAPHIC:

A blunder, if not a crime has been committed. The writer has taken no sides in the unhappy controversy concerning the Newton High School question. Standing in the position he does, it has always appeared the part of good citizenship to aid in every legitimate way to sustain and improve the noblest and richest inheritance bequeathed to us from our ancestors. "The free public schools."

My acquaintance with the late headmaster of the Newton High School is such as to command my high respect and warm regard.

That gentleman has my sympathy in the experiences which have come to him the past season.

Notwithstanding the above it was in my esteem a gross blunder, closely allied to a crime, for our people to allow Mr. Walton, a gentleman of such rare abilities, and of unequalled and successful experience in school management, to be defeated and dropped from our school committee. I am confident that hundreds of our good citizens, who voted against Mr. Walton, will acknowledge that they did so for one act of his only, and consider him a valuable man for the position in all other points. Since the writer became a citizen of Newton, in 1848, there have been two notable instances where mere prejudice, I may add, blind prejudice, has conspired to oust noble school men and deprive the cause of our public schools of their most able and accomplished advocates. 1. Horace Mann, honored throughout the world, was, to quote his own words to the writer, "kicked" from the secretaryship of the Massachusetts board of education, through a narrow and party prejudice, thus depriving Massachusetts of the elevating influence of that matchless champion of free schools. 2. In 1851 or 1852, the honored name of Henry Bigelow, then chairman of the school committee of Newton, was dropped from the nominated list at the Whig-Democratic and Free Soil caucuses, through the same narrow prejudice. It was on the Saturday afternoon preceding the Monday's voting day that the writer ascertained the above. Had it not been for the persistent and protracted labors of several teachers on the intervening Sunday, Newton would have lost her most honored school-man, for he was triumphantly re-elected, though his name was not on either the three printed tickets. It is my wish to show that in dropping Mr. Walton a similar and very serious error has been committed to the great injury of the public schools. Who is George A. Walton? A gentleman, who after teaching successfully, entered the Normal school at Bridgewater, then under that admirable educator, Nicholas Tillinghast, who was a graduate of West Point and had served as professor at the Military Academy, selected by Horace Mann to prove that Normal schools as professional training schools for teachers were indispensable to the success of the new departure in public school instruction and management. From this, Mr. Walton graduated among the most honored with those who have since occupied and now occupy in the public school system the highest positions in the country. Mr. Walton was soon invited to take charge as principal of the model department of the State Normal School, then at West Newton, when Cyrus Pierce was at its head. Mr. Walton's duties embraced in addition to the ordinary care and instruction of the youth committed to his charge, the training and direction of the young lady students in the normal department, in their work of instruction, with classes in the model department under him.

That he served here with distinguished success, is well known to those men and women now residents of West Newton, then pupils of his as also to the writer, who succeeded him in the school. Mr. Walton accepted a position in Lawrence, where he organized and managed the only Grammar school then in that city, and with marked ability for 17 years. During these years Mr. Walton projected, wrote and published those admirable text books on arithmetic, the influence of which reorganized the subject, as is seen in the score or more different text books which quickly followed on that subject.

He was early engaged by the Massachusetts board of education and while at Lawrence, to lecture at the teacher's institute of the state instructing thousands of our Massachusetts teachers in methods. He was soon after engaged by the board of education as its permanent agent to visit the towns of the state, meet the school committees and, to instruct and advise as also to lecture before the citizens upon school improvement.

This honorable and responsible position Mr. Walton has filled the past 19 years not only to the satisfaction, but admiration of all parties concerned. Confirmation of the above can be found by consulting teachers and school committees in all portions of Massachusetts. If there is a person in the state who can be considered an expert in all matters relating to organization, instruction and training in our free public schools it is George A. Walton, whom the people of Newton have ignorantly or willfully dropped from our school board.

The schools will surely suffer directly and indirectly from this wrong action. I had supposed the people of Newton or the controlling minds of our city, were sufficiently intelligent to know that it is no Tyro we wish among those who have the care of our costliest and most vitally important work of the city. When the present excellent superintendent of our streets was appointed to his important position, it was only after a protracted inquiry into his own and others qualifications; yet men have repeatedly been elected to this infinitely more responsible and important position on the school board, to deal with minds rather than gravel, whose whole recommendation was that they had been to school themselves and were successful merchants, mechanics or farmers.

In no other country are such blunders made. In Germany, where the schools are far superior to ours in most respects, they are placed under the control of experts—men who have proved their ability for this position, theoretically and practically by work done in the schools as teachers themselves.

Not even clergymen, lawyers or physicians are considered necessarily suitable or competent as school men.

NATHANIEL T. ALLEN,  
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## BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY for January shows that the promises made by the publishers will be fulfilled in every particular, and that the literary feast prepared for 1888 will be rich and varied enough to suit readers of many diverse tastes. The initial contribution to the present number is the commencement of Edward H. House's serial story, "Yone Sano: a Child of Japan." It is written in that agreeable writer's best vein, and betrays on every page his remarkable knowledge of Japanese customs and manners. A short story by Mrs. Lillie B. Chace Wyman, entitled "Judith's Remorse," is distinguished by fine drawing of New England rustic character, and by genuine pathos and humor. Charles Egbert Craddock, of whom there is an excellent steel portrait in this number, furnishes two chapters of her new novel, "The Despot of Broombridge Cove," and "The Second Son," by Mrs. Oliphant and T. B. Aldrich, continues to exhibit its power to hold the undivided attention of the lovers of artistically constructed works of fiction. James Russell Lowell's short poem, "The Secret," is a delicate fancy wrought out with the hand of a master; and J. T. Trowbridge's long poem, "The Earl," portrays a manly character with excellent effect. Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, in "After Our Hundred Days," corrects some errors made in his recent notes of travel in an entertaining way, and "Unpublished Letters of Franklin to Strahan," by S. W. Lockman, presents some novel views of colonial life. Charley Ducey Warner writes pleasantly of Southern California in "The Golden Hesperides," and Theodore Child gives his impressions of Constantinople in an admirable series of word pictures, which are marked by great purity of style. "The History of Children's Books," by C. A. Hewins, is full of out-of-the-way information; and "A Liberal Education," by Edward J. Lowell, is a valuable and timely article, containing much sound advice. W. D. Howells's "Modern Italian Poets" and Scudder's "Men and Letters" are reviewed in an appreciative spirit, and the Contributors' Club is chatty and bright, as usual. Francis L. Mace joins the poets who have sung of Whitman's eightieth birthday, and Edwin Dean Proctor paints "Monadnock in Autumn" in glowing verses.

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## A NOVELIST IN ITALY.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE HOME LIFE OF MARION CRAWFORD.

The acquaintance of Crawford I probably owe to the favorable report of a young English artist with whom I have established friendly relations, writes H. A. Huntington from Sorrento where Mr. Crawford lives. Be this as it may, after due exchange of calls, I had recently the honor to dine with him at the Villa Crawford. Than this air-hung villa, clinging to the edge of a towering cliff, whose precipitous lines are reflected by the blue waters below, and commanding a whole incomparable panorama of the gulf, a fairer home was never fashioned even in a poet's dream. Due wholly to Mr. Crawford's imagination, founded on fiction and roofed with romance, it is the literal translation into masonry of a chalet in Espagne.

To the interior of the Villa Crawford only the pen of the author of "Cousin Pons" could do justice. Not that either Mr. or Mrs. Crawford is a rabid collector of bibelots, but because both have been great travellers, and have chosen to return from their innumerable journeys laden with those "chefs d'œuvre de la main de la pensée" which mark the artistic instincts of a people, rather than with those ephemeral trifles which indicate its rapacious confidence in the ignorance of tourists.

Inverate lovers of literary gossip will perhaps care to know that Mr. Crawford produced at least one of his novels while the occupant of the apartment in which I write. This was before he had imagined his present dwelling place. The old Cocumella, from which the Jesuits were expelled in the last century, and which for 110 years has been kept as an inn by the same family, with its subterranean galleries and mysterious corners, might well inspire a romance; but it was not under its shelter the story of which I speak was written. Mr. Crawford has a sensitive ear, and the noises of the hotel drove him to spend his hours of composition elsewhere. Near at hand is a cliff whose summit is crowned by a villa that belongs to the Rumanian wife of a Russian prince, from whom it goes without saying that she lives apart, while its base is honeycombed with corridors and caves that once resounded to the song of the sirens. In one of these caves Mr. Crawford took refuge. For two weeks he passed the hours between breakfast and dinner in this picturesque seclusion, writing at the rate of a chapter a day. At the end of that time he had completed the 14 chapters of "To Leeward."

During that fortnight the gray old cliff presented a dramatic contrast. The princess in her villa, plunged in feverish dissipation and surrounded by sybarites—the author in his still cave, with no companion but the sea. Over six feet in height, with a manly face, straight nose, bright blue eyes and a mouth of remarkably delicate shape, fringed, not hidden by an adequate brown mustache, skilled in all athletic sports and famous at 34, Mr. Crawford, were his modesty less, might well serve as model for the hero of one of his own novels. And yet with every accomplishment of a finished man of the world he is simplicity itself, devoted to his literary work, to which he gives six hours daily—equally divided between morning and afternoon,—and faithful in the performance of all the humdrum duties that are commonly so tiresome to the man of genius.

It is needless to say that his manners are polished, and that he is an entertaining talker. Many of his remarks are quotable. For example: Apropos of the wife of a celebrated sculptor, in whom he had observed a real indifference to art coupled with great success in pushing her husband's works, he said, "She bears the same relation to art that the battering ram did to Julius Caesar." From time to time he loses a picturesque phrase, or delivers one of those "sautes de Saxon speech," which are the cachet of the American. "She looks like a doll that has been rained on," he said of a bedaubed Russian Princess; and of some one he disliked he remarked: "When one thinks of such people it is consoling to reflect that though hell yawns it never sleeps."

Besides all this there was of course some talk of fiction, but it was confined chiefly to Maj Kirkland's "Zury," the reading of which Mr. Crawford had just completed. At our second interview I had spoken of the book in such terms that he carried away my copy under his arm; and at our third, though he had read only as far as what the French call "le moment psychologique," I was pleased to find that he did not think my praises exaggerated. That his own were unfeigned I have the testimony of his nearest relative by marriage. "What sort of a book did you lend Mr. Crawford the other day?" she asked. "I went into his room this morning and found him rolling with laughter," Mr. Crawford's final comments would be difficult to report. It will suffice to say that he pronounced the story one of the best dialect novels he had ever read, and Zury himself a masterpiece of characterization.

## Poultry Show.

The Massachusetts Poultry Association will hold its annual exhibit in Mechanics Building, Huntington avenue, Boston, from Jan. 12 to 18, inclusive. Over \$5,000 in cash premiums will be offered. The present indications are that this will be the finest display ever given by this association. The entire exhibition will be covered with patent wire coops, such as were used at the great Birmingham show in England. The following gentlemen will have entire charge of the poultry show exhibit: John Lowell, Jr., Lewis A. Shaw, C. M. Weld, W. P. Bacon, and W. B. Atherton. Among the attractions will be a great display of peacocks, pheasants, pigeons, rabbits and land and water fowls. A very unique feature of the affair will be the steam incubator, in which chickens and ducks will be hatched out constantly.

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## Keeping Out of Debt.

It is not a pleasant way of putting it, but there is a mixture of the sober truth in the statement that "if you are in debt somebody owns a part of you." One cannot fence himself off from his environment; his place in the ranks, his circumstances and responsibilities, are in a very practical sense a part of his life; and so it is that his obligations to other men put him in bondage to them.

The law is against him, society is against him, credit with his fellows is against him, so long as bills that should be paid, remain unsettled.

The old maxim, that "he who sleeps too soundly should borrow the pillow of a debtor," is the world's bitter witness to the nervousness and unrest that come to one from unpaid bills. They are a perpetual torment, especially to people whose conscience and sense of propriety, make such bondage intolerable, but who lack the courage and decision to live within their means.

To be sure there is a class of people to whom debt is simply an inconvenience, and who are always ready to pay one creditor by making another. But to the better-minded, debt is a calamity, from which they desire no other relief than that of an honest payment of every dollar. With such people no bankruptcy law removes the obligation; it rests on them by day and night, as a sacred duty that must be met.

"Now the lesson of this is 'to keep out of debt.'" With the average man or woman, this rule is simple and practical. The world is stocked with plenty for all, and its storehouse is accessible to the most humble worker. Let the real needs and the actual income be the stakes within which the outlays are made. Drop out of your mind the style of living among neighbors, throw to the winds wasteful fancies and desires either in dress, appetites or home, and rest down content, when the income requires it.

There is not a bit of stain or dishonor in plain living; indeed many a brave heart has done so, not from necessity, but that there might be more to give away in benevolence.

It was Sir Henry Taylor who said, "The art of living is to pitch your expenditures one degree lower than your income." This done, debt will not fasten his hands on you; and more than that, you will have a bit of capital for such investment and valuable use as come now and then athwart every path.

Do not, in this matter of daily watchfulness against wasteful expenditure be afraid of a neighbor's smile; your name will grow in lustre, your patronage and your favor will be sought after, as the years slip by, finding you free from debt and with a growing ability to avail yourself of the good things Providence puts in your way.—[The Contributor.]

## Ramblings.

At a Christmas festival which I attended this week, among the many children present, one youngster particularly attracted my attention. His dress showed him to be one of the poor, and the open-eyed wonder and interest with which he watched the proceedings confirmed the supposition that from the Sunday school tree he was to get his only present. He was too young to be able to do much in the reading line. Well, one by one the children received their gifts from the hands of the great fur-coated Santa Claus, and at last it came Tommie's turn. With what pleasure he untied the string, his mind in the meantime being filled with visions of knives and goodies. Can you blame the child for the look of intense disappointment which covered his face when the loosening wrapper disclosed a New Testament which he could not read? Will it be strange if for many years to come, every mention of that holy book will be coupled with a remembrance of the most bitter disappointment of that year of his early life?

The fatal accident at Riverside and the serious one at Newtonville on Saturday, calls public attention to the dangers attending the crossing of the railroad tracks. It is evident that something will have to be done to prevent the occurrence of these fatalities. There is another source of danger which is little thought of, and which will not be, I suppose, until some frightful casualty startles the public. I refer to the boarding of trains while they are in motion. Several times have narrow escapes occurred at the Newton station. Special care should be used now that the platforms are slippery with snow and ice. The time is not far distant when fences along the front of the platform with sliding gates will make it almost impossible for people to jump on to a train after it has started.

Three or four of us were having a chat in a secluded corner at a reception the other evening, when the conversation turned upon newspapers. One of the party declared that the indiscriminate praise given to every one by many newspapers was disgusting. To this another objected, saying that upon its circulation a newspaper depended for its success, and that it was not always free to criticize. "But you must remember," said the first speaker, "that physicians declare tickling injurious, and in fact a good spanking is often the best thing for the circulation."

Newton is not without its Spartan youths. A short time ago, a little boy was found barefoot, playing hockey on the ice, and it was with difficulty that he was persuaded to give up his sport. In order to reach the ice it was necessary to wade through some water, and the youth had taken off his shoes and stockings to do so. No, he is neither sick nor dead.

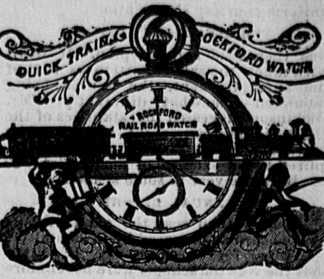
There appeared in last Saturday's day's Boston Herald a letter from a Newtonian, which spoke of the "prospective candidate for mayor" and then proceeded to discuss Newton politics. Unfortunately the matter has been decided these three weeks. The Herald must have been very short of "horse" to have published a letter written weeks ago, and one which, moreover, dealt with an election now a matter of history.

RAMOUTH.

Cornell University is to purchase from P. T. Barnum the complete skeleton of an elephant, to be mounted and placed in the museum of anatomy and zoology. No college is complete without an elephant for the fellows to see, but on the whole, a skeleton elephant has considerable moral advantage over the other kind.—[Springfield Union.]

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—The regular meeting of the Goddard comes next Tuesday evening.

—Miss Emma Johnson has gone to her home in Nashua for the holidays.

—Masters Herbert Chase and Herbert Styles are home for the holidays.

—Miss Fannie Leavitt will not return to her school in Franklin this winter.

—The young people enjoyed a delightful evening at Mrs. Soden's, Wednesday.

—Mr. Herbert Sylvester has been away for a little rest during the holiday vacation.

—Mr. E. J. Goodwin and family have gone to Farmington, N. H., for a brief stay.

—The Misses Brainerd are spending the holidays at their home in Portland, Conn.

—Mrs. E. G. Tewksbury and daughter have gone to Manchester, N. H., for a week's visit.

—Mrs. F. W. Gaffield will receive her friends on Monday, at Hotel Hunnewell, from 7 to 11 p. m.

—Postmaster Turner has recently received news of the death of his youngest brother in Birmingham, Eng.

—The ladies' society of the Methodist church held their regular social Thursday evening, at the residence of Mrs. Dr. Thayer.

—Mr. Alfred Bridges, who has been suffering for some months with a mental disease, has been taken to Somerville for treatment.

—Mrs. Clafin entertained the members of her Boys' club last Wednesday evening, at her residence, with a Christmas tree and supper.

—John F. Payne has an electric bell and speaking tube put in his drug store, for the convenience of those who have to get medicine at night.

—The Newton Electric Light and Power company have received their new 100-horse power engine and boiler, and will soon be ready to extend their lights.

—Mr. Smead and family are at Pescadero, near Santa Cruz, California, and are enthusiastic over the climate. They have a cottage and take their meals at the Swanton House.

—There was a very pleasant meeting at the Methodist church, Monday evening, the special feature being a Christmas tree, laden with presents for the members of the Sunday School.

—Monday, at 1.30, a deaf and dumb man was struck at the crossing of a freight train and thrown some thirty feet. He received a bad cut on the head, but was able to take the next train for his home.

—The week of prayer will be observed at the Methodist church. Short sermons will be given each evening by the pastor. There will be a watch meeting at the Methodist church Saturday evening, Dec. 31, at 9 o'clock, all are invited.

—The Chautauque Circle will meet on Monday evening, Jan. 9th, at the residence of Mrs. Soden. There will be interesting essays on the women and men of the Revolution, and a sketch of the life of John Howard Payne, author of "Home, Sweet Home."

—The horse and wagon belonging to U. H. Dyer, which was stolen last week Thursday night, was found the next afternoon on Sargent street, Newton, bearing evidence of having been driven hard. A portion of an extra harness and a blanket taken at the same time has not been recovered.

—The next meeting of the Goddard Literary Union will be held Tuesday evening next at 7.45. An interesting program will be given. Members will be allowed to bring a friend by paying an admission of 10 cents for each new member. The opera of "Il Jacobi" will be given.

—A New Year Reception of the members of the Newtonville Woman's Guild will be held at the residence of Mrs. D. S. Simpson, Newtonville avenue, on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 3. At the next meeting, Jan. 17, Miss Porter of West Newton will read a paper entitled, "The Land of the Lotus."

—The Christmas opera at the Universalist vestry, last Saturday evening, was largely attended and most eminently successful. The children filled their parts especially well, and the stage effect was very bright and attractive. The Christmas tree was laden with precious fruit, a good share falling to each one.

—The Christmas concert of the Universalist Sunday school, took place last Sunday evening in the church. The program was bright and cheery, full of the happy significance of the grand season. The church was very tastefully and effectively decorated. The participants in the program all did themselves credit, and the audience was large and appreciative.

## Death of James D. Murd.

Mr. James D. Murd died at his home on Highland avenue in Newtonville on Monday, after a two week's illness with pneumonia. He was a member of the publishing firm of Houghton, Mifflin & Co., and was one of the most earnest and ambitious young business men of Boston. His associates feel deeply the loss of such a highly esteemed and valued member. Mr. Murd was born in Bridgeport, Ct., some 35 years ago, but before he reached maturity his parents removed to Brooklyn, N. Y., and in that city he spent his early life. He prepared for college in Parker Institute of Brooklyn, and graduated from Trinity College in Hartford, Ct., when he was a little more than 21 years of age. Immediately after his graduation he entered the employment of Houghton, Mifflin & Co. as clerk, and in a few years he was taken into partnership with that firm. He removed to Boston about four years ago, his duties calling him to the main office of the firm, and took up his residence in Newtonville.

Mr. Murd was a prominent member of the Episcopal church, and took an active interest in its affairs. He was essentially what might be termed a "home man," and took but a passing interest in the calls of society or politics. In business he had received a complete education for that part which he chose for his work, and he was thoroughly identified with, and understood the minutest details of the business of publishing. Two weeks ago Tuesday he was not at his accustomed place in the office, and the report came that he was ill with pneumonia. Last Monday morning, at 9 o'clock he died. He leaves a widow and

one child, a boy of about 7 or 8 years of age.

Mr. Murd came from a family highly connected. His grandfather, Philo Murd, was prominent in social and political circles, both in New York and Bridgeport, Ct., and was president of the Hudson River Railroad Corporation. His father, Melancthon M. Murd, is well-known in business circles, having for a long time been a member of the publishing firm of Murd & Houghton. The funeral took place from his late residence in Newtonville this morning at 9 o'clock.

## WEST NEWTON.

—Rev. Dr. Maury has returned to Goshen, N. Y.

—Miss Mattie B. Felton has gone to Philadelphia, Penn.

—Miss Mamie Kimball is in Leominster for the holidays.

—Miss Catherine Allen is in Cambridge for a few weeks.

—Miss Alice Morton is in Arlington to remain for a short time.

—Mrs. Mary S. Fiske, who has been visiting Miss Bond, Elm street, has gone to Cambridge.

—Mrs. Marshall Wood has sent out cards to a large number of young people for a reception on Jan. 7, complimentary to Mr. Herbert Tuttle.

—Miss Emma Nickerson has taken advantage of the newly opened direct route to Amherst, the Massachusetts Central, and gone on a visit to her sister.

—The old hotel property, owned by the Samuel Lovell heirs has been sold to Mr. Green of Boston, who will fit it up for stores and tenements, and put the property into good condition.

—The marriage of Miss Etta Thaxter to Mr. C. A. Drake took place at the residence of Mr. A. B. Porter, Waltham street, Thursday evening, Dec. 20th. The happy couple are to make their home in Auburndale.

—The local branch of the Iron Hall has elected the following officers: C. J. J. D. Wellington; V. J. C. L. Hathaway; Ac. C. H. Stacy; Cash. M. F. Lucas; Adj. C. Seaver, Jr.; Prel. A. Nott; Her. A. C. Woodside; W. D. Barry; Vid. A. E. Trowbridge; Trus. W. E. Fuller, J. D. Wellington, A. F. Noyes; Med. Ex. J. E. Crockett.

—Wm. Coleman, Michael Dorsey, and Wm. Welch were arrested Monday for making a disturbance on the train, and the first was fined \$5 and costs for being drunk, the second sentenced to seven months in the house of correction for assaulting Station Agent Bennett, and the latter to 9 months at Concord; Welch appealed and was put under \$200 bonds to appear for trial.

—Newton Council, Legion of Honor elected officers as follows for the ensuing year on Tuesday evening: Commander, Fred. A. Metcalf; vice-commander, Mrs. Susan D. Crockett; orator, Mrs. Anna G. Stacy; guide, Mrs. Emma J. Bailey; chaplain, Chas. T. Cutting; warden, Franklin Metcalf; sentinel, C. Seaver, Jr. The public installation will take place, January 10, when it is expected that the Grand Commander of Massachusetts will be present.

—There was a bold robbery on last Saturday morning. About ten o'clock a man stole two horses valued at \$75 from the stable of Mrs. E. J. Collins on Beacon; near Woodward street. Word was sent to the police station, and Officers Harrison and Purcell succeeded in following their man to Brighton. There they bided their time feeling assured that the horses would be offered for sale. The horses were offered but before a sale was made, the officers appeared on the scene and arrested the man, who was taken to the West Newton station where he gave his name as James Oakley. The horses were in the meantime restored to Mrs. Collins, who Oakley claimed was indebted to him for some labor performed. Oakley was also wanted by the police for the alleged larceny of clothing from James Waldron, with whom he had roomed. It was said he made free with Waldron's wearing apparel whenever convenient. On Tuesday afternoon Oakley was sentenced to one year in the house of correction for the larceny of a suit of clothes, and bound over for trial in the superior court for the larceny of the horses.

—The annual meeting for organization of the West Newton Lyceum was held on Monday evening at the Allen school building. The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: president, James T. Allen; vice-pres., Rev. H. J. Patrick; sec., S. Warren Davis; treas., Thos. B. Fitz; committee on questions and lectures, John W. Carter, Wm. E. Sheldon, Edward H. Pierce, Edwin F. Kimball; committee on music, Henry H. Hunt, E. Everett Burdon, Miss Plummer. It was voted to retain the usual price of admission. The treasurer, Mr. Fitz, reported that last season's receipts from eight meetings were \$78.20, while the expenses attending the same were \$103.00, leaving a deficiency of \$24.80, which he offered to bear himself. Mr. Fitz and Messrs. N. T. Allen, E. W. Wood, L. Bond, and G. A. Walton strongly advocated further holding of Lyceum meetings, and favored continuing them this season for a longer period than last. The project of buying through subscription a piano for the Lyceum was discussed, but no action was taken. The first meeting was appointed for Monday evening, Jan. 9, at the usual place and hour. A meeting of the officers and committee will be held at Mr. Kimball's to-morrow evening for the purpose of thoroughly planning the season's program.

## Our Efficient Police.

To the Editor of the Graphic:

I take great pleasure in publicly expressing to Officers Harrison and Purcell, my own thanks and the gratitude of my mother, for the prompt recovery of a pair of valuable horses stolen from our stable Saturday morning, the 25 inst.

When a crafty thief, with two hours start by a circuitous route, can be captured and the animals restored to their owner within four hours, it shows marked capability and clever detective work on the part of the above mentioned officers.

EDWARD L. COLLINS.  
Waban, Dec. 27, 1887.

## The Woman's Relief Corps.

The first regular meeting of Chas. Ward Woman's Relief Corps, No. 98, was held at G. A. R. Hall, Newtonville, Dec. 21st, Mrs. Dr. Mary E. Bates presiding. There was a large attendance, and an increased interest was manifest. Routine business was transacted, and a vote of thanks extended to Mrs. E. W. Wood of West Newton, for her generous contribution of flowers at the installation of officers. The next meeting will be held at G. A. R. Hall, Newtonville, Jan. 4th, at 1.45 p.m., when business of importance will come before the corps.

## AUBURNDALE.

—Rev. Isaac Worcester and wife are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Barr.

—The regular monthly bowling party of the Gamma Zeta will be held at the N. B. C. house on Jan. 3rd.

—Mrs. G. F. Hall entertained a party of friends at supper on Wednesday evening. Lee was the caterer.

—The young ladies who spent their vacation at Lasell enjoyed a Christmas tree on Monday morning. School re-opens on January 5th, 1888.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Johnson are to open their new music room with a reception and musical on Tuesday evening, Jan. 3rd, to which a large number of invitations have been issued.

—An impromptu dance was planned and successfully carried out by some entertaining gentlemen on Monday evening in Auburndale hall. Miss Whall provided excellent music, and those present spent a very enjoyable evening. Messrs. W. D. Harvey, E. W. Spurr and Chas. Cole were the ushers.

—The arrivals at the Woodland Park: Dr. J. A. Spalding, Portland, Me.; J. J. E. Rothery, Brookline; B. R. Wilson, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Evans, York, Me.; Chas. R. Holden, Worcester; W. E. Esterbrook, and John R. Duff, Boston; Chas. Richardson, Boston; Leonard Ahl, Miss Codman Mrs. Ellis, Boston.

—The children's entertainment at the Woodland Park on last Wednesday evening proved so much of a success that it was repeated by request on Thursday evening. The children did themselves great credit in their presentation of "The Fairy Steeple Crown," and they made a very pretty scene with the snow dresses and colored lights. G. S. Fulson of Boston was the costumer. The amount of the proceeds have not yet been ascertained.

—There was a very pleasant celebration at the residence of Mr. Chas. Johnson, Saturday evening, Dec. 17, the day being a wedding anniversary. The secret was learned by some friends who expressed their congratulations in tangible form in a tableful of elegant cut glass articles and a handsome cigar. A short address was made by Rev. Mr. Cutler, with his usual delicate wit. Mr. Cutler has the rare ability to say just the right thing on special occasions.

—Many Auburndale and West Newton families were delightfully awakened on Monday morning by the music of Christmas serenaders, who walked into the houses, set up the music, and gave fine renditions of carols and Christmas music, and departed as swiftly as they came after "A merry Christmas and a happy New Year." We are indebted to Messrs. Fred Plummer, G. R. Pulsifer, George Pickard and John McLeod for this pleasant renewing of a fine old English custom.

—The choir of the Congregational church furnished excellent music on Christmas day, Miss Minnie Page, Miss Millie Fogwell, Messrs. A. W. and C. B. Ashenden, the regular quartet, assisted by Miss Emma Brown of Lynn who sang the solo of the morning service, and Mr. W. W. Cole, and a chorus, the whole being under the direction of Miss Kate Plummer. The evening service was especially fine, Mr. Cole's solo excellent, and the choruses well sung. Great credit is due to Miss Plummer, and many thanks to the artists who helped to make the Christmas service so beautiful.

—Extract from Rev. Mr. Metcalf's sermon at the church of the Messiah, Auburndale, on Christmas Day—"Not to the learned doctors and haughty Pharisees in Jerusalem did the angel announce the wondrous tidings, but to simple folk and lowly; and why was our Lord born in little Bethlehem, not in great Jerusalem, in a manger, not in a palace? He would sanctify poverty. He came to visit us in great humility, that he might exalt lowliness of spirit above the vain pomps and glory of the world, and so endear Himself to all sorts and conditions of men. No grandeur of the earth could compare with those glorious courts on high, which he had left. Is it not a wonderful thought that this pretty Babe is the eternal God, the Father of the everlasting ages? Why do we not rejoice as we ought on this day? Alas! it is sin and worldliness which shut our ears to the heavenly song. Mass means service and Christmas means the Christ service. How poor is all other rejoicing compared with Christian Christmas joy! Like a thread of gold this rejoicing in the Lord should run through and illumine everything.

## NONANTUM.

—It was pleasing to see the young people's choir in their places again last Sabbath.

—A number of young people here have been suffering with throat trouble for the past two weeks.

—The Nonantum market, which was opened by Mr. Bean of Waverly two or three weeks ago, is again closed.

—Mr. Geo. E. Jones has gone to his home in Canada to spend Christmas and New Years. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGoun accompanied him.

—Henry Bates, an employe of the Aetna Mills, and a resident of Dal y street in this village, was found dead on Monday forenoon in a barn belonging to Peter Burke on Faxon street. Medical Examiner Mead was called and pronounced it a case of heart disease.

—Harry Worth, the little boy who has pumped the organ at the North church for the past two years, received an envelope containing a five dollar bill and a note from one who appreciated his services.

—Mr. A. H. Bedell and wife spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rollins of this village, but were hastily summoned home Monday to find their house nothing but a heap of smoldering ruins. Mr. Bedell was the proprietor of Everett House, South Framingham, a hotel capable of accommodating 120 guests.

—The Christmas concert at the North church was well attended, and the exercises were very interesting and appropriate. The singing was by the members of the school, as also were a number of recitations. Miss Evans of Newton also read a very beautiful and touching poem. The annual Christmas tree occurred on Monday evening, and was fully attended. Mr. James Love acts, as Santa Claus. Miss Evans entertained with several lectures, and a hastily organized choir of 14 voices, with Miss Hudson at the organ, rendered in excellent style a Christmas anthem from Isaiah 3, 73. Mr. Hudson stated that this choir had been organized while the essays had been going on, and had never sung together before. However, the anthem was finely rendered, which showed that all were familiar with it.

## THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

BOTH BRANCHES HOLD THEIR LAST SESSION FOR 1887.

Both branches of the city government were in session at City Hall on Wednesday evening. In the board of aldermen all were present except Aldermen Hollis and Pettie. The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Margaret Lane gave notice of intention to build a dwelling house 33x23 on Walnut street, Ward 6.

On motion of Alderman Nickerson the petition for the acceptance of Freeman street, Ward 4, was referred to the next city government.

On motion of Aldermen Grant \$55.65 was transferred from the receipts from water scrip income to the appropriation for interest on temporary loans.

One hundred and twenty-five dollars and seventy-nine cents was allowed as 4 per cent. interest on the Kenrick fund.

Alderman Nickerson reported that the sidewalk asked for by S. V. A. Hunter of Lake avenue had been laid.

Alderman Nickerson read the report of the highway committee in favor of granting the petition for the widening of the bridge on Institution avenue, the relocation of the Boylston street line, the acceptance of Eddy street, of Clinton street, and the relocation of the line on Chestnut street and the recommendation of the committee were adopted.

The petitioners for the drainage of a cellar on Nonantum street, and the acceptance of Walnut place were given leave to withdraw.

Alderman Harwood reported from the committee on fuel and street lights, in favor of giving the petitioners for street lamps on Carlisle street, Ward 5; Central street, Ward 4; Central street, Ward 5; Columbia street, Ward 5; Clarendon street, Ward 2; Terrace avenue, Ward 5; Washington street and Cherry streets, Ward 3; Centre street, Ward 6; and Cherry street, Ward 6; also for an electric light on the corner of Centre and Mt. Ida streets, leave to withdraw.

The petition for a street lamp on Chandler street, Ward 5, was referred to the next city government.

No one appeared at the hearing on the relocating and laying out of Lexington street, Ward 4; or Chapel street, Ward 1, and the hearings were closed. A large number of residents appeared in favor of the laying out and acceptance of Middle street, Ward 1, and no one opposed.

Orders were passed for the laying out and acceptance of Chapel and Middle streets, Alderman Nickerson stating that these were old streets, 40 feet wide, and fairly well constructed. Most of the land was built upon, and the streets would only need some top dressing. The city carts passed over them after gravel, and had cut them up somewhat.

B. S. Wetherbee, who asked for a street lamp on Nonantum street, was given leave to withdraw.

An order was passed for the relocating and laying out of Lexington street, Alderman Nickerson stating that the purpose was to get rid of a sharp angle at the junction of River street.

An order was passed for the acceptance, laying out and grading of Pilgrimage street in Temple street to a new street on Mr. Day's land.

The usual order creating an excess and deficiency account, to which all unexpended balances should be transferred, and from which all accounts and overdrawn appropriations should be paid, was passed.

The unfinished business of the council of 1887 was also referred to the council of 1888.

John Bond was appointed a special policeman without pay, to serve at the Myrtle Baptist church.

The highway committee reported on the claim of Mrs. L. H. Baisdel for the payment of damages for overflow on and by surface water, that a drain should be constructed, and that in the opinion of the city solicitor, the petitioner had no claim for compensation.

Reports were made from the committee on enrolled ordinances that the ordinances relating to buildings and the one relating to the board of health were properly enrolled, and they were passed to be ordained.

## THE EXPENSES OF 1887.

Alderman Grant called from the table the notice given by the finance committee in regard to the \$7,000 needed for the new Thompsonville school house, and stated he would move the reference of the matter to the next city government.

There had been a good many statements made about the extravagance of the present city government, and the recent campaign had been fought in part on that issue. He had taken the pains to compare the appropriations for 1887 with those of 1882, the year before Mayor Kimball's election, when Mayor Ellison was at the head of the city government, and in many cases the appropriations for 1887 were less than those for 1882. The board of health cost \$1,700 more, but then the council did the state and county tax, and these two items made an increase in the tax-rate of 80 cents on the dollar. But we had got to provide school buildings, and the city owned the property which was all the time increasing in value. These two items alone more than made up the net increase in taxation. We get from 25 to 30 per cent. more public improvements and advantages than four years ago, in the way of police, street lights and good streets. In view of all these facts, Mr. Grant moved the reference of the new school house at Thompsonville to the next city government, to let them determine whether they would go to the expense of building it or not.

## FAREWELL GREETINGS.

Alderman Grant said that as this was probably the last session of the city government of 1887, he took the opportunity to say that while he was pleased to be released from the duties of his office, he could not help regretting the

many pleasant associations, and the frequent meetings with his associates on the board, which he had enjoyed so much. It was due to them that he had been able to discharge his duties as well as he had. He was convinced, however, that those who were left would be able to take care of the city business in a much better manner, and he expressed his best wishes for their success.

Mayor Kimball said that he was much gratified by the remarks of Alderman Grant, as they were both concise and true. The city of Newton was fortunate in having such an able board of aldermen and should be grateful to them. The people should recognize when they were served well, as they had been the past year. He regretted that Alderman Grant was not to be a member next year, and continue his usefulness to the city, and he was happy to bear witness to his excellence and efficiency. He was both his neighbor and his friend, and he felt justified in saying that no man who had occupied a seat on the board had performed his duties more conscientiously or with a more wise regard for the interests of the city. Some of the members of the board had been re-elected so easily that they were hardly conscious of the fact, and this was a well deserved compliment, but it sometimes happened that men who had done their duty well were not re-elected. He would have been very glad to have the alderman from Ward 7 on the board next year, and he could bear witness to his good intentions, and his efforts to advance the interests of the city and to perform his duties conscientiously. It was not derogatory to the new members to say that he hoped they would equal their predecessors in their care for the city's interests. Personally, he felt under great obligation to the members of the board for their uniform courtesy, and as their presiding officer he had always endeavored to be impartial and fair to each one. Nevertheless, he

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## INSOLVENCY NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the third meeting of the creditors of John H. Whitney, Insolvent Debtor of Newton, Mass., will be held at the Court of Insolvency, at Cambridge, Mass., on the 12th day of January next, at nine o'clock a. m., at which meeting creditors may be present and prove their claims. At said meeting the assignee will present his accounts and the creditors may appear and object to the allowance thereof. 12-21 PETER A. McVICAR, Assignee.

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mum, was sint us unexpected, an' we not knowin' whativ'er to do with it, 'count of the suet puddin' me mother made for a surprise to me father, an' if ye'll kindly accept it, mum, an' me mother's wishin' you good luck."

"Thank you, Jinny," faltered Miss Margaret, feeling the world spin around, and wondering "if I be I?"—did Miss Jarvis send it to you?"

"Miss Jarvis, dear!" were the not knowin' in Miss Jarvis' mum; it was the gentleman as mother was for, Mr. Norris his name is; an' if you please, mum, I'll be runnin' back to help mother dish up."

"Richard," said Miss Margaret, dragging her brother to the window, "do you see that little girl sewing over there? want you to go straight over and bring her here to dinner. Tell her she must come, and don't you come back without her."

Richard obeyed, and the bewildered little dressmaker found herself presently escorted to the Ballister mansion, where her mistress she trembled guiltily to think of. She had only taken time to gather a rose from her precious bush, and she held it out mutely as a peace-offering, but Miss Margaret took it and pinned it upon Esther's own breast.

"Don't try throwin' a sop to Cerberus; there's my very own mince pie just come back to me, and I never can eat it until I know how it happened. Did you give it to Mrs. McCarthy?"

"Mrs. McCarthy? I never did. I gave it to Mr. Fielding, the examiner of patents, and I've given the rest of them away since. You see, Miss Ballister, he's been very good to me, and I never expected to have any way to return it, and this came so unexpectedly, and just at Christmas!"

"But Mr. Norris gave it to Mrs. McCarthy; she's his waterwoman."

"Mr. Norris?" said Miss Margaret, the pale gentleman up-stairs. Well, then, Mr. Fielding must have given it to Mr. Norris, and so—"

Miss Jarvis could not say any more for laughing, neither could Miss Margaret; but by and by they wiped their eyes, and between them told Richard the story of the pie so far as they knew it. What they could not know was how much cheer and comfort it had carried with it, and left behind it.

"What I'm thankful for," said Richard, "is that it brought up here at last. It is blessed thing, to own a pie, and to eat it away, but a better thing is to eat it."

"There never was a merrier dinner eaten in the Ballister mansion in its palmiest days. Richard rehearsed to his wondering auditors marvelous tales of wandering in Bornean forests and South American jungles, until his hearers were in a state of rapture. He told them of long, rambling canoe voyages, through the labyrinthine of nameless rivers, of despairing leagues over cruel deserts, and desolate days, upon story-heated mountains, of peace, relentless foes, and a crafty, treacherous enemy, until Margaret exclaimed, vehemently:

"Oh, Richard, is anything worth so much toil and travel?"

"Worth it! Ten times over, for only the delight of search, and pursuit, and discovery. Worth it even for solid returns of fortune. Why, men were wont to live abroad in God's world; not in the pens of business. I'd rather fight with savages all my life than drudge and palter, and wither away as Roger did. Worth it! I'll show you."

He brought in the leather valises, threw out with nervous haste a few hasty articles of clothing, and carefully placed upon the table an array of tin boxes. Margaret glanced at the windows and came closer, Richard's dim eyes glowed as he opened the boxes, taking out with his long, lean fingers packages wrapped in oiled paper, and unrolling two or three, with a triumphant smile. What he so proudly displayed was neither diamonds, nor any manner of precious stones, not even nuggets of gold, but brown, shivelled, worthless-looking bulbs and tubers and leathery roots. Margaret looked at Esther Jarvis, but got no light from her puzzled face. She looked at her brother, who was insane, or was he playing some trick upon her? The mischievous smile about his mouth brought back memories of the days when she was the patient victim of Richard's practical jokes.

"Are they?" she began faintly, with vague recollections of what she had read about nutmegs or quinine in the rough—

"They are orchids," said Richard, exultingly, "every one of them a rare species; some of them worth a king's ransom. I've been sending them to New York for years, and now they are added there'll be no such collection on the world. Ah, if I could only afford to set up an orchid house myself!"

Margaret was speechless; but Esther wishing only to be amiable asked innocently:

"What are they good for?"

Richard glared at her but managed to reply:

"Good for child?" Why, they are orchids. You don't tell me you never heard of orchids! the most wonderful, most valuable plants in the world. Why, people spend fortunes on them. I can show you one here that will bring a thousand dollars, and my whole collection is worth nobody knows how much. If it wasn't for Margaret, though, I'd sooner have that plant than a thousand dollars; there are people in good society who would kill me without hesitation to get it!"

"Then put it away," said Miss Margaret. "How do you know but Miss Jarvis is a collector?"

Richard silently obeyed, but it was not easy to turn him from his favorite theme.

"We could have a small orchid house on this side, Mag.; it's just the right exposure, and I might raise a few."

"Very well," said his sister, "you shall do what you please, if you will only stay at home. The Lord didn't make me a savage, and I prefer human beings to air plants."

Still dilating upon his precious darlings, Richard submitted to be draped in a kitchen apron that he might crack a dish of butternuts to send to the McCarthy children. Esther Jarvis took them over, returning to report the nuts were all that was lacking to complete the happiness of the crowd over a treat of molasses candy from Patsy Connor.

"Mr. Norris is there too, and only think, Miss Ballister, Mrs. McCarthy sent you the pie because you'd been so good to her; not as she could say you'd ever really given her anything as a body could put a name to, but you always looked so willing when you met her on a mornin', as if ye'd give her the world if ye had it widgey."

Miss Margaret laughed, but she said:

"Well, I never knew anything so funny in my life; but was a real providence that the pie came back, after all."

"Seems to me," said Esther, "there was a whole chain of providences, all linked together."

"Or a cycle," said Miss Margaret; "that is exactly what it was: a cycle of providences."—[Independent.

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To the Readers of THE GRAPHIC:

In common with many publishers and editors, we have been accustomed to look upon certain statements which we have seen in our columns as merely adroit advertising.

Consequently we feel justified in taking the liberty of printing a few points from a private letter recently received from one of our largest patrons, as a sort of confession of faith to our readers. We quote:

"We have convinced ourselves that by telling what we know to be true, we have produced at last a permanent conviction in the public mind. Nine years ago we stated what the national disease of this country was, and that it was rapidly increasing. Five years ago we stated that a marked check had been given it."

The statistics of one of the largest life insurance companies of this country shows that in 1883 and 1884, the mortality from kidney disorders did not increase over the previous years; other companies stated the same thing. It is not presumptuous for us to claim credit for checking these ravages.

"Seven years ago we stated that the condition of the kidneys was the key to the condition of health; within the past five years all careful life insurance companies have conceded the truth of this statement, for, whereas, ten years ago, chemical analysis to determine the condition of the kidneys was not required, to-day millions of dollars in risks are refused, because chemical examination discovers unsuspected diseases of the kidneys."

"Nine years ago we stated that the ravages of Bright's Disease were insignificant compared with other unsuspected diseases of the kidneys of many misleading names; that ninety-three per cent. of human ailments are attributable to deranged kidneys, which fill the blood with uric acid, or kidney poison, which causes these fatal diseases."

"The uric acid, or kidney poison, is the real cause of the majority of cases of paralysis, apoplexy, heart disease, convulsions, pneumonia, consumption, and insanity; over half the victims of consumption are first the victims of diseased kidneys."

"When the recent death of an honored ex-official of the United States was announced, his physician said that although he was suffering from Bright's Disease, that was not the cause of his death. He was not frank enough to admit that the apoplexy which overtook him in his bed, was the fatal effect of the kidney poison in the blood, which had eaten away the substance of the brain and brain; nor was Logan's physician honest enough to state that his fatal rheumatism was caused by kidney acid in the blood."

"If the doctors would state in official reports the original cause of death, the people of this country would be alarmed, yes, nearly panic-stricken, at the fearful mortality from kidney disorders."

The writers of the above letter give these facts to the public simply to justify the claims that they have made, and to let the kidneys and liver are kept in a healthy condition by the use of Warner's Safe Cure, which hundreds of thousands have proved to be a specific, when all others failed, and that has received the endorsement of the highest medical talent in Europe, Australia, and America, many a life would be prolonged and the happiness of the people preserved. It is successful with so many different cases because it, and it alone, can remove the uric acid from the blood through the kidneys."

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As stated above, we most cordially commend the perusal of this correspondence by our readers, believing that in so doing, we are fulfilling a simple public obligation.

## Miscellaneous.

Some one asks: "Does it pay to be good?" Perhaps our evidence in the matter will not be taken and so we shall not answer the question directly, but we will say that it is good to be paid.—[Lowell Citizen.

"I want your advice very much, Cicely, dear. Would you buy a seal or a seal plush cloak, if you were in my place?" "Well, of course I can't say. Seals are growing scarcer every year."

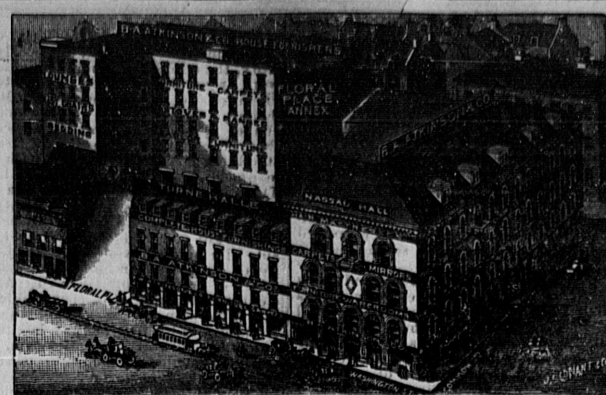
"But I hear that they are not killing so many plushes this year as usual."—[Hartford Post.

Doctored a cough: "Wife—I am so worried about that cough of yours, John, dear." Husband (fondly)—"Don't be foolish, little one. It is a mere nothing." Wife—"It may be a mere nothing, John, but I do wish you would see the—The inance man to-day."—[N. Y. Sun.

—She was from Boston and was breakfasting at the most intellectual hotel she could find in New York. The writer, thinking to be gracious, poured hot milk into her coffee, whereupon she inclined her "Browning saturated head and said: 'There, that is a sufficiency.' "Indade it's not, mum," said the pleasant Celt, "it's condensed it is, mum!"—[Saturday Evening Gazette.

## Hay Fever.

I have been a great sufferer from hay fever for 15 years, and have tried various things without doing any good. I read of the many wonderful cures of Ely's Cream Balm and thought I would try one more. In 15 minutes after one application I was wonderfully helped. Two weeks ago I commenced using it, and now I feel entirely cured. It is the greatest discovery ever known or heard of.—Dunham Clark, Farmer, Lynn, Mass.



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### NEWTON CENTRE.

—The Baptist Chapel is practically completed.

—Mr. Thorpe has some very good tenements to rent at low prices.

—Mr. Fred. S. Esty is spending the holidays with relatives in Maine.

—Mr. Chas. H. Dole has taken the Brickett house on Knowles street.

—Mr. A. H. Eames is laying the foundation for a store-house on Centre street.

—Mr. Edward B. Bowen is expected home on Saturday, Dec. 31, from his western trip.

—There is much sickness here among the children, chickenpox and sore throats predominating.

—A query. Was not it a blunder to put those stones into the street near the Baptist church?

—There was a delightful family gathering at the residence of President Hovey Monday evening.

—Mrs. George Stearns and daughter of Billerica are at Mr. James Carey's spending the holidays.

—Mr. Stephen Hunter from San Francisco, with his family are visiting at his father's, Lake avenue.

—All the stores of this village will close at 6 o'clock Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

—Miss Alice Gardner of Lake avenue left on Wednesday for New York, where she will spend her vacation with friends.

—The invitations are issued for a dancing party on Friday evening, Dec. 30, given by Miss Gertrude Crane of Lake avenue.

—Mr. Earnest Porter with his wife and daughter have gone to California for the winter, hoping that a milder climate will cure Mr. Porter's ill health.

—On Thursday evening the children of the Congregational church gave a very pretty little cantata, and afterwards a social was enjoyed by the society.

—Miss Etta M. White is pleasantly situated at Los Angeles, Cal., and likes there so well that we may not expect to see her here again unless for a visit.

—Dr. Bigelow has made a new departure in hedges, having made one of native barberry bushes on his attractive estate on Oak Hill. These bushes ought to make a handsome hedge.

—The Ladies' Sewing Society of the Orthodox church have sent a barrel of clothing to a parish in the West, in which they are interested, and another to Mrs. Steele at Chattanooga, Alabama, Tennessee.

—The club of "The Neighbors" will meet Monday evening next at the residence of Mr. W. E. Webster, Beacon street. Lawyer Sinclair's essay will be upon "Gypsies." The club was organized January 1878.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rockwood gave a charming tea party last week Wednesday to their many relatives. The hostess's mother and two sisters, whose united ages amounted to over two hundred and twenty years, claimed every one with their grace and liveliness.

—At a meeting of the trustees and the faculty of the Theological in titution held Wednesday afternoon, Rev. J. R. Thomas, D. D., a leading Baptist clergyman of Brooklyn, was elected to occupy the chair left vacant by Dr. Lincoln's death.

—The funeral of Mrs. Braddock Crocker occurred at the residence of her aunt, Miss Eustis, Palm street, on Wednesday afternoon. The services were conducted by Prof. English, who read from the scriptures and made appropriate remarks; Rev. Lemuel Barnes offered prayer. The interment was in the Newton Cemetery.

—Cruelty has often been noticed towards horses here, especially by the store boys, who show no mercy whatever for the poor beasts that are driven hard all day. Hays have often been seen to step out on the shafts of the team and beat the horse to make him go faster. It seems as if the owners of the teams could not know of this or it would be remedied.

—The young people of the Unitarian church had a sociable given them last evening by Mrs. C. Howard Wilson of Elgin street. We hear that a very enjoyable evening was passed. The children of the Sunday School had a Christmas tree and festival Tuesday afternoon and evening. A committee of young ladies started games for them and the children went home tired and happy.

—The Religious Herald, published at Richmond, Va., says: "Professor G. R. Hovey is making for himself a fine reputation among us. There are about thirty students in his Hebrew class in the Richmond Theological Seminary. In addition to this chair, he is giving instruction in other studies, and excites an enthusiasm among his students which is a prophecy of greater things in the future."

—A meeting of more than usual interest of the Gilbert Union C. L. S. C. was held Wednesday evening, Dec. 21. The subjects for the meeting of Jan. 9th is as follows: United States History from chapter 25 to end of chapter 27; American literature from page 197 to 240; current events; readings from Longfellow, Whitier and H. B. Stowe; roll call to be responded to by quotations appropriate to the New Year.

—The Newton Centre branch of the Women's Auxiliary committee met at the house of Mrs. Charles Grout on Beacon street, on Thursday afternoon. General Marshall, who has been among the Indians and at the school at Hampton, gave an address about the Crow Indians. He spoke of the progress towards civilization among the younger Indians, enlivening his discourse by many telling anecdotes.

—The children of Oak Hill school held a very pleasant Christmas festival at the School House hall, Friday evening, Dec. 23rd. The tree was laden with presents for the children, which were freely distributed by Santa Claus. The successful competitor for the prize offered by the principal of the school, to the one who should come nearest to pinning on the donkey's tail, was Miss Sadie E. Mullen.

—Every one who knew Mrs. Braddock W. Crocker of Beacon street was grieved to hear of her death in Denver, Colorado. She was the youngest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heustis' two daughters. Her sister, Miss Lizzie Heustis, died about five years ago of consumption, and now Mrs. Crocker has followed her. The latter was married Feb. 24 last, that date being her 18th birthday. Her life looked

so bright and she was so young that it seemed all the harder for her to leave her father and mother and husband. All that was possible was done for her. Mr. Crocker gave up a good position in Boston to go Colorado with her, hoping that she would improve, but it was too late, and on Dec. 23 she died of consumption. Mr. and Mrs. Heustis and Mr. Crocker have the sympathy of every one in their bereavement.

—The week of prayer will be observed at the Methodist church with the following meetings: Sunday, Jan. 1st, at 10:30 a. m., sermon. Subject—"Good Resolutions and How to Keep them," followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Sunday school 12 m. Pastor's Bible Class 4 p. m. Young People's Meeting at 6:30 p. m. Missionary Concert 7 p. m. Tuesday evening Jan. 3d. Subject—"Thanksgiving for Past Mercies," Psalms 103:2, Rev. W. E. Huntington, Ph. D. Wednesday evening, Jan. 4th. Subject—"Home Piety," Mat. 4:3, Rev. L. S. B. Spear. Thursday evening, Jan. 5th. Subject—"The Conversion of Sunday School Scholars," John 21:3, Rev. E. Cooke, D. D. Friday evening, Jan. 6th. Subject—"The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit," Joel 2:28, 32, Rev. B. K. Peirce, D. D.

—The concert given by the children of the Unitarian Sunday School on last Sunday passed off very well in spite of many who had intended to sing and speak, being sick at home, and several who kindly sang rather than break the program, were suffering from colds. The program was as follows:

1. Gloria—Sunday School.
2. Responsive Reading.
3. Carol—"God give ye Merry Christmas-tide."
4. Solo—Miss Maud Hammond.
5. Prayers.
6. Christmas Carol—Sunday School.
7. Recitations by Walter Bartholomew, Beattie Loring, Arthur Bartholomew and Walton Sears.
8. Carol—Sunday School.
9. Two—Miss Maud Hammond, Miss Mabel Harris and Miss Florence Wood.
10. Recitations by Grace Greenough, Jennie O'Connor, Ethel Egerton, Willie Loring, Bernard Plimpton and Fred. Melcher.
11. Solo—A. Adams. Christ Song by Miss Belle Bassett, Violin Obligato by Robert Loring.
12. Carol—Sunday School.
13. Address by Mr. Henry G. Spaulding of Newton.
14. Solo by Miss Alice Gardiner.
15. Solo by Miss Alice Clement.
16. Benedictions.

—Rev. Lemuel C. Barnes, the pastor of the Baptist church here, was one of the speakers at the Baptist Social Union in Boston on Monday evening. One of things about his church was, he said, its theology. The present pastor of that church was a firm believer in the new theology—that there was a theological problem which, in the last score years of the nineteenth century, was not only new but supreme. It was a problem which this union had done as much to solve as any other body of men. It was whether the multitudes of men in the metropolis of New England, in the metropolis of the West, in the metropolis of the United States, in London, the metropolis of the world—whether these men, and their children, were ever to be saved for Christ. The great problem of the last score years of the century was, "Can we save the cities of the land for Jesus Christ?" and it was the supreme problem of the hour, because it required the supreme manifestation of Christian character. Our multitudes of our great cities could not be saved except as there was personal heart to heart, hand to hand contact with the multitudes on the part of those who had the mental, moral, financial, spiritual force. He stood here as a stranger, he said, with this message: "Our multitudes be saved and you can save them, partly with your money, but mainly with your hearts and your hands." [Applause.]

### NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Mrs. Wm. Chatfield is nearly recovered from her illness.

—The Monday club will meet on Monday next with Mrs. J. W. Mitchell.

—Mr. F. E. Prendergast has the fourth case of scarlet fever in his family this week.

—Mr. E. G. Pond and Mr. F. E. Prendergast have recovered from their recent illness.

—The church clock is again on its good behavior, indicating hourly with striking regularity the flight of time.

—Santa Claus, or perhaps loving friends, did not forget Rev. Mr. Phillips and wife, as you may notice if you make them a social call.

—The sale of the choice of pews at the Congregational church took place on Thursday evening of this week, with very satisfactory results.

—At the Christmas Eve service at St. Paul's chapel, Rev. C. P. Mills, the rector, was the recipient of \$110 in gold from the members of his parish. The parish are to be congratulated that their rector is as good as gold.

—We hear that Mr. Warren White will go to Texas for the benefit of his health. It will be the wish of his many friends that he may be fully restored by the change in climate and business.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Locke arrived home last Thursday from Fort Monroe, where they have been sojourning for two or three weeks. Mr. Locke is much improved in health, and has resumed business.

—The Congregational church had a very cheerful look last Sabbath with its Christmas decoration of evergreens, and the committee having the matter in charge are entitled to much credit for the good taste displayed. The sermon by the pastor was one of his best efforts. The music by the quartet was finely rendered. At the evening service were readings by members of the Sabbath school, interspersed by singing and addresses by Rev. Mr. Clark, Rev. Charles Haynes and C. P. Clark, Jr., appropriate to the occasion.

—The members of the Congregational society held their Christmas meeting on Thursday evening last week, in the chapel. The meeting was called to order by Mr. George Beal, clerk. Hon. J. P. C. Hyde was chosen chairman. Mr. H. L. Whiting, the treasurer, made his report, that all bills were paid, and a balance of \$85 in the treasury. Mr. George Beal was re-elected clerk, Mr. H. L. Whiting, treasurer, and Mr. S. D. Whittemore, auditor. For parish committee Mr. E. H. Greenwood was re-elected, and Mr. W. C. Strong and Mr. George May were elected in place of Mr. A. F. Hayward and Mr. F. E. Prendergast, who declined to serve. It was voted to appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to meet the expenses of the society, and a small reduction of the debt, and it was also voted to increase the salary of the pastor \$300.

### NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—The opening of the New Year will be observed by a "watch meeting" at the Methodist church on Saturday night commencing at 9 o'clock, and continuing till the beginning of the year 1888. All are cordially invited to participate in this service. The services on Sunday will be appropriate to the opening of the New Year.

### Sleigh Rides.

The recent fine sleighing has disappeared, but when snow comes again Geo. H. Fife of Newton Centre has all the conveniences for taking out sleighing parties. See business notices.

### THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

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supposed he had had his share of faults, and he was comforted by the reflection that one of our best Presidents had said that he had always noticed that a man with no faults had very few virtues. He was sorry that the alderman from Ward 1 was not able to be present, but he was very happy to testify to his close attention to his duties and to his excellent performance of them. All regretted that he had refused to serve another year.

Alderman Harwood said that he had been closely associated with the two members present who were to retire, and he could truly say that they had done and said all that was possible for the best interests of the city. To Alderman Grant the city owed a debt of gratitude for the careful manner in which he had looked out for the repairs on the public buildings, and his careful scrutiny of all bills. The alderman from Ward 7 had also shown great faithfulness in the discharge of his duties, and had tried to do always what was for the best.

Alderman Harwood thanked the Mayor and the other alderman for the kindness and generosity shown him, and said that as a member new to city business he had had a difficult position to fill, but it had been made pleasant and easy by the unfailing courtesy of his fellow members. He had always tried to do his duty to the best of his ability, and he thanked his associates for their expressions of kindly feeling.

The petition of G. W. Lamson for permission to keep a pool table, was then taken up, and the petitioner given leave to withdraw. Aldermen Harwood and Ward stating that all the neighbors except one were unanimous against it.

### The Common Council.

In the common council all the members were present, and President Coffin presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read, and a large amount of business from the board of aldermen, disposed of in concurrence. The report of the printing committee in regard to the city printing was accepted without debate.

### PRESIDENT COFFIN.

Councilman Redpath read the following:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Common Council be, and are hereby extended to President Coffin, for the able, impartial and courteous manner in which he has discharged the onerous duties of his office as presiding officer. The resolution was seconded by Councilman Chadwick, who said that much of the good will and harmony that had prevailed the past year was due to the good nature and unfailing courtesy of the President.

Councilman Tyler said that the President had been prompt at every meeting, which was in part owing to good health, but more to his willingness to do his work. It had been a great pleasure to him as well as to the other members, to have such an able and courteous presiding officer. He had known him from a boy and had been much interested in watching the excellent manner in which he had discharged the duties of such an important office. He hoped his example would give an incentive to other youths in the city.

Councilman Burr said he wished to add his hearty endorsement to what had been said. The President had shown the utmost consideration and respect to every member, and this had been of great value in making everything smooth and harmonious, and every member had had the greatest confidence in their president. Councilman Fiske said that he would take pleasure in voting for the resolution, and the other speakers had expressed exactly his sentiments.

Councilman Kennedy moved that a rising vote be taken and every member stood up, the vote being taken by Clerk Glover.

President Coffin thanked the board for their expressions of good will, and said that he had tried to do his duty, and conduct the work promptly and in a business-like manner. That he had succeeded so well he thought was in a great measure due to the fact that he had been so well supported, and that he had had the assistance of such an efficient and experienced clerk as Mr. Glover, which had made the work much easier for him.

### CLERK GLOVER.

Councilman Redpath also said that he took great pleasure in presenting the following resolution, which was no more than the ordinary kind, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitude of low set, short weight alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans.

Resolved, That recognizing the efficiency, ability, and diligence with which Albert S. Glover, clerk of the Council, has discharged his duties, and appreciating the value of his services, the council tender him their hearty and sincere thanks.

He said that during the two years he had been a member of the board, Mr. Glover had never been absent but once, and on account of diligent attendance and connected with the water board, and he expressed the feeling of many members when acknowledging his indebtedness to Mr. Glover, who was never at a loss as to the proper force of procedure or the right way to work an order.

Councilman Gore said that he heartily agreed with the last speaker, and was glad to have the opportunity of acknowledging the many favors and the valuable assistance both he and other new members had received from their experienced clerk. In his opinion, it was due to the clerk's ability and skill in arranging business, that the members had been able to have such short sessions during the year.

Councilman Dix said that he had been a member for four years, and the clerk had been so diligent in arranging the business, and knew so well what was necessary to be done, that he had made it a pleasure for the members to come to the meetings. He would take great pleasure in voting for the resolution. Councilman Redpath moved that a rising vote be taken, and all showed their desire to endorse what had been said by voting for the resolution.

### NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS AT ST. MARY'S.

As we came through the church yard with its graves white with snow and covered too with the evergreen branch and wreath, and saw the old bell swinging still for merry Christmas, as it has for so many long years, we thanked God for the blessed service of the church, and wondered if a happier Christmas than this had ever been spent within its sacred walls. Christmas Eve the children entered the church singing their glees and songs, and children's voices again shouted Hosanna! in the temple, and repeated the sweet story of the manger at Bethlehem, and the birth of the Christ child. After the rector had told his Christmas story, the offerings gathered since Easter were presented. They will still be given for the good work at St. Mary's School, Salt Lake City. Service done, the chapel opened its doors and welcomed them back to the wondrous tree. It stood in the centre, glittering with ornaments and bright with many lights. There had been a report that Santa Claus would not visit Boston and vicinity this year, owing to the singular attempt on the part of some "unco good" people to vote him out of existence. But just as we all remember him, he came into the midst of the delighted crowd. An ancient wheelbarrow was trundled behind him filled with packages, large and small. So large was his freight that he brought one of his faithful pages with him. The work of distribution commenced, and no little one was forgotten. Good and scholars alike shared in the common remembrance. The rector was the recipient of an elegant dressing gown from the ladies of the parish, and Mrs. Wells was also kindly remembered. The Christmas day services were fully attended. It is a good time to have Christmas come on Sunday occasionally. The music deserves special commendation. The Te Deum, Jubilate and anthem were very fine. The people of St. Mary's fully appreciate a musical service, always—rendered with religious feeling and expression. The rector preached from the texts: "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem," and "A Little Child Shall Lead Them." St. Mary's Guild added to the altar appointments by offering a desk of brass, of elegant design. The church is simply but effectively decorated. Much one of the Christmas music will be repeated on Sunday next, the Feast of the Circumcision.

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### CHESTNUT HILL.

Collector Saltontall is recovering from his recent illness and is able to be at the Custom House a portion of the day.

The robbery of Agent Salmon of Reservoir station caused quite a sensation. He says that he was assaulted and robbed shortly before 9 o'clock on Monday evening within 100 yards of the depot. While on his way home two men suddenly attacked him, one striking him a stunning blow on the head, while the other, a somewhat snotter fellow, tore open his vest and went through all his pockets. Salmon attempted to make an outcry, when one of the men grabbed his tongue and held it for some seconds. He was robbed of \$15 in silver belonging to the railroad company, about \$20 in bills belonging to himself, some silver in a bag, and an open-face Springfield watch in silver cases. The thieves escaped.

### For Florida Tourists.

Some very handsome and attractive books are being distributed in Newton, and are of great interest to Florida tourists. They describe the manner of going to that winter resort, the Hotel Ponce de Leon, the Alcazar, and the Casa Monica of St. Augustine, and the scenery and attractions in the vicinity of that ancient city. No possible expense has been spared in making the book attractive by means of fine engravings, heavy tinted paper and clear type, and the descriptions are finely written. Mr. G. Stewart Smith of Boston has charge of the distribution of the books, and Mr. Walter Thorpe of Newton Centre is his agent for Newton.



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